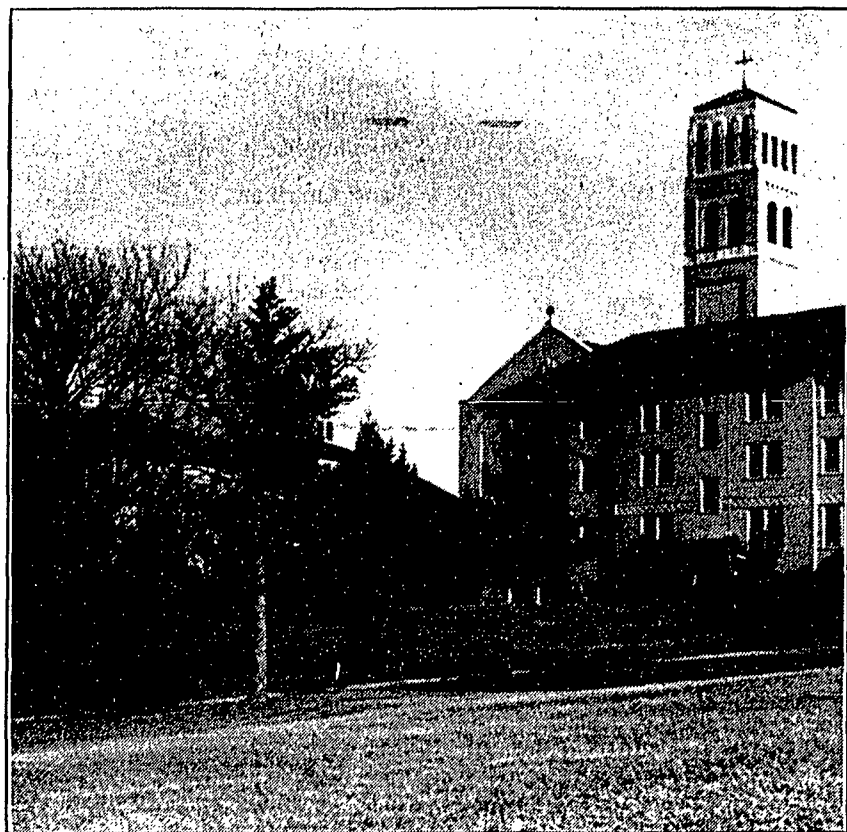


## State proposes Maryville as prison site



JACK VAUGHT/Chief Photographer

LOCATED JUST MINUTES away from Lake Mozingo, Mount Alverno, a former convent, could be the sight of a new minimum-to-medium security state prison. Northwest students' opinions are split regarding the facility.

By JEFF HARLIN  
MISSOURIAN STAFF  
CHRIS TRIEBSCCH  
CHIEF REPORTER

A prison in your backyard and 165 new jobs in the community. This proposal is on the minds of residents of Maryville and Nodaway County as they take sides in the Mount Alverno debate.

Last Thursday the Missouri Department of Corrections announced it was considering Mount Alverno, a former convent and academy located just east of Maryville on U.S. Highway 136, as a possible state prison site.

At the request of Sen. Sam Graves and Rep. Rex Barnett, the Missouri Department of Corrections will present an informal meeting at 9 a.m. Saturday at the University Conference Center.

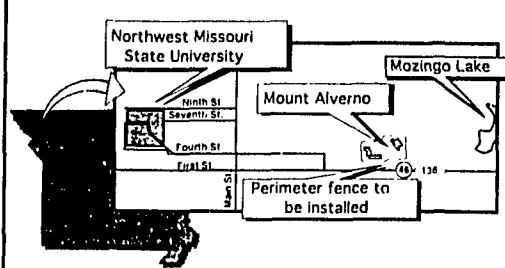
If the proposal is enacted, Mount Alverno will be transformed into a facility capable of holding 525 C-2 inmates. The current prison system is rated on a 1-5 scale, with one being minimum security. A C-2 corrections center would be considered a minimum-to-medium security prison.

"I know that there is going to be people 50-50 for it and against it," said Lance Holman, chairman of Mozingo Recreation Facility Advisory Committee.

Some may be uneasy about having a prison near Mozingo, but Holman thinks the possible addition could be good for Nodaway County.

"I think it's economically positive for the area,"

### PROPOSED PRISON SITE



Holman said. "The main concern I have is the cropping up of unplanned housing additions in that vicinity ... I'd hate to see a bunch of apartment houses and all kinds of trailer courts spring up to house any type of people who would want to be near their family."

Visitors to the center may also take advantage of the facilities of Mozingo once it is fully operational.

"There is a great possibility that (visitors) may camp out and maybe participate in waterfront sports," Holman said.

The Eveready-Half Company, located approximately one-half mile from Mount Alverno, could also be affected by the prison. Although the company is not taking a stand, Ed Phillips, plant manager, said he is opposed because Maryville has been growing for a number of years and he does not think the prison would complement the town.

"I am offended that whoever is posing this in such a short period of time did not ask our opinion," Phillips said. "We have put millions into the state economy."

University President Dean Hubbard said Northwest is not taking a stand on the issue, but Hubbard did tell the City Council that if the University was asked to take a stand, the University would be in favor of the prison.

Hubbard said the this is because of the opportunity to help rehabilitate and educate inmates. He also said it would open up opportunities to train students to work within such facilities.

Among administrators and faculty, there seems to be a lot of support, but students are divided on the issue. As of Wednesday, the computer vax poll of more than 300 students revealed that 49 percent are in favor and 50 percent are opposed to the prison.

According to a press release from the Missouri Department of Corrections, Mount Alverno has been vacant since 1987.

If the plan is to become reality, many renovations must be made, including construction of a security fence and an administration/visitors center.

Approximately 11 acres of the 40-acre site would be enclosed by the fence.

The center would serve as the headquarters for Mount Alverno, including a visiting area and offices.

The approximate cost for the renovation process is slated at \$6.5 million.

## Hall of Fame honors leaders

By CODY WALKER  
ASSISTANT EDITOR

Martin Luther King Jr., Alice Walker, Langston Hughes and Malcolm X were some of the many black Americans highlighted through photographs, work examples and videos during the Hall of Fame showcase presentation that kicked off the beginning of Black History Month.

The Alliance of Black Collegians sponsored the showcase Wednesday in the University Club South to start a month of activities.

But is separating black history the answer to providing education?

"I think Black History month brings more awareness," Brandy Maltbia said. "It makes me want to say, 'Hey we're here; recognize what we've done.'"

Chris Armiger said he thinks people can learn a lot from such events because it is very concentrated, unlike many basic history classes.

"I don't think there should be a Black History Month - ideally," Carol Kline said. "It should be included in 'regular' history, but since we don't live in an ideal world, we need to get that exposure from some source."

Ed Ballantyne, assistant professor of management, said he is not sure what he thinks about celebrating black history separately.

"I'd prefer to see it be incorporated into regular history," Ballantyne said. "By isolating it and making it a different course, it is encouraging separation instead of integration."

Tom Carneal, associate professor of history, said most history and culture textbooks do not emphasize the role of black Americans.

"I think when we teach history we incorporate the contributions of minority groups within the courses, but having a course that just talks about African Americans in American history is difficult for me to support or to justify," Carneal said.

"They have never lived as a separate group, they have always been a part of our culture and heritage since the time they first came into our society in 1624," he said.

ABC sponsor Liz Wood said she thinks it is important for all people to learn about black history.

"Historically we have been segregated," Wood said. "If we got history taught to us as it in fact was in this country, we might not need (Black History Month). We wouldn't even think twice about it."

Armiger said he believes all history is bound together as one and skin color does not play a part in history.

"I think the study of Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X should be as universally and rigorously studied as George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. I don't see any differentiation," Armiger said.

"I think many of the things the great black leaders such as Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X said can provide inspiration for all people. Their messages are universally applicable."



CHRIS GALITZ/Missourian Staff

PAUL BUCHANAN STUDIES a picture of Malcolm X during the Hall of Fame showcase presentation Wednesday in the University Club South. The Alliance of Black Collegians is sponsoring events throughout the month to celebrate Black History Month.

## Defendant's murder case goes to trial

A Maryville man charged with first-degree murder waived his right to a preliminary hearing, officials at the Missouri Attorney General's office said.

By waiving his right to a preliminary hearing, William Taylor will go directly to the trial stage.

Before the trial begins, both the prosecution and defense will be forced to show their evidence to the court to guarantee a fair trial and judgment.

On Monday, Taylor's bond was raised to \$150,000. He was able to meet the amount and remains free on a property-secured bond.

Taylor is charged with murdering his wife, Debra Jo, by running over her with his combine Nov. 10. He pleaded innocent at his arraignment Jan. 13.

## VPAA candidate shows interest, will visit again

By CHRIS TRIEBSCCH  
CHIEF REPORTER

The University has moved one step closer to filling the vice president for Academic Affairs position after the current candidate has said he is very interested in the job.

Jospeh "Tim Gilmour," vice president for Strategic Planning at the Georgia Institute of Technology, and his wife will visit campus this weekend, arriving on Friday and leaving Saturday. They are expected to make a decision soon, University President Dean Hubbard said.

"If Gilmour decides he wants the job, it will be offered to him," Hubbard said.

If Gilmour declines the offer, the University will

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## KXCV/KRNW face federal funding cuts

By KAREN GATES  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

People in northwest Missouri can listen to their favorite programs and in-depth news coverage all without the cost of cable. This service, along with money for the arts, could be cut if Newt Gingrich and the Republican Congress have their way.

KXCV/KRNW, located on campus, could lose up to 25 percent of federal funding if Congress passes a bill that would cut funding to the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

"One of the things we're going to do this year, I hope, is to zero out the Corporation for Public Broadcasting," Newt Gingrich, House Speaker, said.

Sharon Bonnett, general manager at KXCV/KRNW, is concerned about the bill, even though it still has to go through a long process.

"If this bill would happen to pass, the smaller populated area like Northwest will receive less money and will not be able to afford national programming," Bonnett said.

The corporation's money pays the salaries of two staff members and half of their radio dues, which pays for national programming. The U.S. government pays 29 cents per U.S. citizen for public radio.

Bonnett does not want listeners to worry that the stations would shut down.

Mike Johnson, KXCV/KRNW operations manager, believes the station will continue to focus its attention on teaching students.

"The stations are not going to take advantage of this kind of a situation like some large public broadcasting stations and try to beg our listeners for money," Johnson said.

Broadcasting students are concerned what the future could hold for their career if the bill passes.

"I think if this bill passes, there is a chance there will not be as many public broadcasting stations, and students will be forced to look elsewhere for a job," Chris Gegg said.

Many listeners from the area are voicing their opinions in letters to their Representatives.

"The argument that there are no other sources for the information provided by public radio is

simply not true for those of us who live in the rural parts of America," the Rev. Ben Helmer said.

Faculty members are also concerned about the effects this bill could have.

"I can't think of any other government program which is accessible to nearly everyone without respect of age, race, gender or economic status," Matthew Rouch, mass communication instructor, said.

The station's staff and students are encouraging people to voice their opinions on public broadcasting.

Along with the radio stations, the Missouri Arts Council, the Mid-America Arts Alliance, and Northwest Encore performances could also be hit hard if the bill passes.

The Missouri Arts Council, and the Mid-America Arts Alliance are funded by the National Endowment for the Arts, and if the bill passes, the NEA would be eliminated.

The Missouri Arts Council provides funds for the DeLuce Gallery exhibition and without the NEA, the exhibits could be cut by 50 percent.



CHRIS GEGG GETS hands-on experience at KXCV/KRNW as an announcer during his air shift. Congress is proposing a bill that would cut 25 percent of the funding for public broadcasting.

ALEX GAZIO/Missourian Staff



## OUR VIEW

## Maryville would suffer from a Mt. Alverno prison

A proposal that many thought was laid to rest has resurfaced and appears to be more powerful than ever.

It seems the Missouri Department of Corrections will not let its proposal for a minimum-to-medium-security prison in Maryville die. Officials would like to make use of the former Mount Alverno Convent by using it to house inmates.

There are too many detrimental factors in this proposal to let it just slide by and affect Maryville in negative ways. The only benefit a prison would bring is a large number of jobs. However, does Nodaway County, with the lowest unemployment rate in the state, desperately need more jobs? The employment factor could be sacrificed in this case.

The community should focus on completing one task before it starts dipping into another one. Right now, Maryville's main concern should be on the Mozingo Lake project. It has been a long-anticipated attraction and taxpayers deserve to see their tax money make things happen. Too many irons in the fire could get Maryville in over its head.

A major concern when dealing with real estate is location. Even the thought of a prison being built a mile from Mozingo Lake should have residents wondering how the recreation area will survive.

The city would not be able to successfully promote and attract tourists to a beautiful recreation area located about one mile from a prison. Prisons promote eerie feelings especially for nearby campers. The possibility of escapees would constantly be on their minds.

A prison is not what Maryville needs to put it on the map. The University does a good job of that already



and with the addition of Mozingo, the city is sure to boom. The two would complement each other nicely.

However, a prison in between the two would not attract the type of visitors Maryville needs or wants. Maryville is a clean town and its residents deserve something to make them proud. A prison just doesn't promote a sense of hometown pride.

The University has provided Maryville with a great source of income. It would make the recruitment

process a little awkward when prospective students find out a state prison is located less than five miles away from the campus.

If Maryville wants to develop and prosper in a positive way, both residents and students need to make sure this proposal does not pass. Surely there are better, more respectable uses for such a beautiful historical marker as Mount Alverno. Let's push for one of those uses before it's too late.

## MY TURN

## Wanna be cool? Be a rebel, be liberal



Derrick Barker  
Editor in Chief

Republicans may be trendy now, but soon they won't be 'in' for long

Correct me if I'm wrong, but weren't the mid-term elections almost three months ago? If so, then I'm completely stupefied by all the hubbub that's still going on about the Republican victory of 1994.

Just the other day, Washington pundits on CNN were discussing the "true meaning" of the GOP takeover in Congress.

In case you didn't know, pundits are people who supposedly know everything about politics but somehow neglect to say why they never run for a political office.

Conservative pundits, still filled with glee over the Newt Congress, I mean, New Congress, explained that a surge of new Republicans showed that Americans were tired of liberal ideals and wanted less government.

Liberal pundits, on the other hand, argued that voters elected Republicans because their Democratic representatives and senators weren't liberal enough.

The discussion lasted well beyond my attention span, so I decided to watch "The Simpsons" instead. And although I'm sure the pundits had something very profound to say, I doubt anyone cared.

If people want to know the real reason why voters went Republican

last year, they need to look no further than the presidential election of 1992.

Back then, a Republican with a shrubby name was running the White House and everybody hated him. It seemed as though anything he tried to do was ridiculed, scrutinized and booed by every pundit, congressperson and housewife in America.

That's why being a Democrat was trendy. Back then, Democrats were cool. They were in, they were hip, they were keen.

You see, Republicans had power and that made anyone opposed their ideas a rebel. As we all know, rebels are cool.

Just think about it what was cool at that time: tree-hugging, buying foreign cars, watching MTV, wearing Batman T-shirts, and loving Bill Clinton. Yes, the former Arkansas governor was the beacon of coolness in '92, and that's why he won the presidential election. After all, he did play the saxophone on Arsenio Hall.

However, now that the pudgy Democrat controls the White House, everybody hates him. It seems as though anything he tries to do is ridiculed, scrutinized and booed by every pundit, congressperson and housewife in America. Sound familiar?

So, it seems only natural to assume

that because the Democrats controlled both the White House and the Capitol, people who opposed their views would be considered rebels. And the coolness factor begins to rise.

Take a look at what's cool today: tree-chopping, buying American cars, eating chicken-fried steak, watching the news, wearing ties and loving Rush Limbaugh. Yes, only in America would some rotund right-wing guy in a three-piece suit become the new beacon of coolness.

It's also cool to be old. Examples of old, cool people include Barbara Bush, Sen. Bob Dole and 92-year-old Senate Pro Tem Strom Thurman. Strom is really cool.

Do you think I'm wrong? Well, when was the last time you saw Arsenio Hall on television?

Unfortunately, the Republicans are headed for trouble, because now they control Congress. That means being a liberal will become trendy again. And so the cycle of coolness continues.

So, you'd better prepare for the wave of liberal coolness. Recycle your plastics, start snacking on some wheat bran and start watching MTV's "House of Style." That way, you'll get a jump start on trendy America.

Go ahead. Be a liberal. You'll be cool, you'll be in, you'll be keen ...

## VOICE IN THE CROWD

## Phillips Hall remains haven for insomniacs



Mac Tonnles  
Columnist

Neighbors keep others awake with squirt guns, strange noises

Reading Stephen King's "Insomnia" has convinced me that I am one of an increasing minority of people who actually need sleep.

For those of you who didn't read "Voice in the Crowd" two weeks ago, let it be known that I live in the fourth floor of Phillips Hall. The place never sleeps.

The tenants to either side of my room seem to act out the same, crazed schedule night after night. Although I suspect I sleep through the worst of it, I think the following itinerary is reasonably accurate.

9 p.m. Three words: Squirt gun wars. These mock battles are fine with me, because I usually don't retire until after midnight. But the threat of being doused with cold water (and who knows what other fluids...) while trying to cross the hall is enough to turn me into a recluse.

One neighbor actually revealed to me his arsenal of lethal-looking refrigerated water balloons. "Just in case," he told me.

9:30 p.m. Around this time, I become unbearably hungry and venture to the lobby to get myself a treat (like in those old newsreels).

I am convinced that the vending machine is a deity from hell. Even after it ingests my quarters, the plastic coils that hold snack items in place never cooperate, leaving packets of baked goods hanging by their plastic wrappings.

I proceed to shake the vending machine in order to dislodge my snack of choice, wondering if tonight is the night when the machine comes crashing down on me, spewing powdered sugar and Fritos as the window shatters and the plastic coils dig into my chest.

I imagine how my body would look after being discovered the next morning, one hand still gripping an unopened bag of Hot 'n' Spicy Pork Rinds.

10 p.m. I check my computer for non-existent e-mail. In the hallway outside, things are as loud as ever.

The truly strange thing about all the noise is that I am unable to link it to any familiar pattern of human activity. I

hear screams, amused shouts and a loud, muffled SLAM as some mysterious object batters the wall next to my door.

Worst of all, I hear rap music.

11 p.m. The synchronous buzz of a hundred electric razors.

Midnight. The neglected patter of water overflowing from a urinal across the hall.

12:05 a.m. The anguished yell as an unfortunate resident slips in the water next to the urinal.

12:30 a.m. I lock my door (just as a frozen water balloon streaks) past and begin to read, interrupted by the inarticulate mumbling of my roommate talking in his sleep. His muttering is punctuated by bursts of raucous laughter that send chills down my spine.

1 a.m. I fall into bed, glance at the evil, red digits of my clock radio, and frown.

Because of a scheduling conflict, the Running of the Bulls, usually in Pamplona, Spain, now takes place in the fourth floor hallway.

I roll over and cover my ears with a pillow, perchance to dream.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Poor do little to improve housing

Dear Editor:

In Jon Lewis' "Voice in the Crowd" column (Jan. 27 issue), he stated that "As U.S. citizens we all must take the blame for [poverty]." He had recently visited North Omaha.

As a student who has lived just outside of Omaha for my entire life, I have seen the changes North Omaha has gone through. It seems ironic to me that each year housing projects are built, and within a few months the sides of the buildings are covered with graffiti and bullet holes.

A few years back, the city started a program where houses were built in North Omaha, then offered at extremely low prices. Within a year, these brand-new houses looked no better than the run-down houses they sat next to.

It seems to me that if a poor community was offered practically free housing, it would take some pride and help keep the houses up.

Lewis' reaction, sadly, is a typical one today. As a microcosm of society, it shows that as our societal conscience declines, people are taking less and less responsibility for themselves. He is right: this "shift the blame" game has got to stop.

Bob Mills

## CAMPUS VOICE

## What do you think about turning Mount Alverno into a prison?

"It would create more jobs, but yet having the convicts so close, I probably wouldn't like it."

Scott Carriker



"It doesn't bother me because I've lived by a prison before. I don't feel that I'd be in any danger."

Donita Beck



"I'm not real excited about the idea about having a prison in Maryville, but I guess if it's necessary and needed, it's OK."

Lisa Stull



"It doesn't bother me in the least."

Scott Thompson



"I guess it's OK. It's a use for the building, but that's about it. From what I've heard it's OK."

David Miller



"I think it's all right — it will be good for jobs and I don't think there will be a problem with escapees."

Ray McCalla



"I guess it would depend on what kind it was. If it was for hard-core criminals, I don't think I'd like it, but if it was just petty crimes (it would be O.K.)."

Christina Culbertson



## BARKER'S BITES

Weekly cheers and jeers by Derrick Barker.

◆ Cheers to end of January, the year's coldest and cruelest month. Hopefully, February will be a much kinder, faster month.

◆ Jeers to the city council for even thinking about turning Mount Alverno into a prison. What exactly is the main priority of the city: the University, Mozingo Lake, or a prison? Wait a minute. Do we really want to know the answer? Gulp!

◆ Cheers to the Motion Picture Academy of Arts and Science for selecting David Letterman as the host of this year's Academy Awards. Hopefully, he will promise many laughs and no surprise appearances by Jack Palance. Please!

◆ Jeers to the plumbers of Roberta Hall for leaving residents with cold showers. Yikes! Such a problem is hardly worth the extra \$200 per semester in room fees. Message to Roberta residents: Hot water will cost extra.

◆ Cheers to the big-wig advertisers for keeping Super Bowl Sunday afloat with their new line of commercials. In fact, some were highly entertaining. If only the game the advertisers paid so much to sponsor hadn't have been such a bore.

◆ Jeers to Chevy Chase for driving drunk last Thursday. There is life after SNL — in jail.

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## CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES

Voters in the following precincts can cast their ballots during the City Council's primary election Tuesday, from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.: precincts A and D, voters living east of Main Street, vote at Davidson Square on intersection of Edwards and South Laura Street. Precinct C, west of Main Street and east of Third Street, vote at First Christian Church on 201 W. Third St. Precincts B and E, south of Third Street and west of Main Street, vote at the Community Service Center on 222 Main St. The general election is April 4. *Ellis Black was unavailable for comment.*

	What are the main issues you plan to tackle and how will you do it?	What will you do for the University?	What do you think the City Council needs to improve on?	What do you think about substandard housing in Maryville?	What do you think about a policy banning minors from the bar?
<b>Name:</b> Joseph Belanger <b>Qualifications:</b> Worked for variety of businesses in the community, says he knows the issues.	Will emphasize issues of landfill problem, waste disposal and Mozingo problems. Wants the landfill changed over to a transfer station.	Opposes the street name changes to College Avenue and College Drive.	Council needs to improve on the money loss from the street investment program. Private donations are needed to improve roads.	Thinks students should go to Maryville housing authorities if they have a problem.	In favor of minors in the bar because a ban would create a problem for many restaurant owners who have bars.
<b>Name:</b> George English <b>Qualifications:</b> Trained to be a city manager, has a doctorate degree in public administration.	Plans to tackle the issues of getting city fiscally in order, working on street program, working with Mozingo project and bringing in more jobs.	Does not plan to be spokesman for University, but plans to represent the community as a whole.	Thinks the current City Council is doing a good job right now. Said it did well dealing with job regrouping, Mozingo and zoning.	Says something should be done about substandard housing. Thinks there should be a strong renter's code.	Has not looked into the situation of minors in the bars, yet is strongly against underage drinking.
<b>Name:</b> Sharon Hopper <b>Qualifications:</b> Declined to comment on qualifications.	There are many issues she thinks need attention. She is worried about the public golf course failing.	Dependant on what the University asks for.	Will not judge current City Council because "she has never been in their shoes." She would check into what people want her to do.	Thinks sub-standard housing in Maryville is pathetic, and would not want her own children living in "flea-bitten rat traps."	Is split on the issue of minors in bars. Sees nothing wrong as long as a time limit is imposed on minors, and bar owners watch them closer.
<b>Name:</b> Dale Mathes <b>Qualifications:</b> Lived in Maryville all of his life, interested in community and served as city mayor.	Will tackle Mozingo project, economic development, landfill and a permanent street project. Believes each problem is separate and unique.	Thinks University is part of the community and looks at it as another business. Thinks it is important to the economy.	Thinks Council should immediately improve on landfill, permanent streets, Mozingo, recreational facilities development and golf course.	Thinks we have to enforce housing codes. Believes we have to look at the legal way to improve the situation for both parties.	Would be in favor of the ordinance if it passed.
<b>Name:</b> Tim Rickabaugh <b>Qualifications:</b> Lifetime resident of Maryville, involved in Leadership Maryville, graduate student.	Major concern is housing and keeping Mozingo on line. Says we need to take care of what we have now and to solve the city's problems.	His major emphasis will be a stronger link between the students, faculty, staff and the city.	Says the current City Council did have a problem with finances. Says we need to focus our attention to the city itself.	Is concerned about the housing problem.	Would like to keep students 18 and under out of the bars. His main concern is the high school age, not college.
<b>Name:</b> Al Turner <b>Qualifications:</b> Maryville resident for 25 years, Northwest graduate and a business owner for 18 years.	Thinks there are a lot of issues the city should tackle, such as the growth of Mozingo and the landfill.	Knows how much impact University has on the city. Hopes to continue the good relationship.	Has not sat in on the meetings, so he has no comment. Good job over-all.	Says the issues will have to be looked into.	Thinks that keeping minors out of the bar is a good policy and will eliminate bar owners' problems.
<b>Name:</b> Keith Walburn <b>Qualifications:</b> Served on City Council for nine years and interested in improving city's performance.	Wants to tackle putting permanent street program back on track, 7/8 sales tax on street and Mozingo project.	Thinks the University is a terrific asset and the students are the town's largest employer.	Thinks Council needs to improve on finances and the tragic loss in the past year. Could improve weaknesses through his leadership skills.	Thinks if there are problems with the landlord, then residents should go to the city inspector.	Sees no problem with over/under night at the bars. Thinks it is the responsibility of the owners to monitor.
<b>Name:</b> Rex Wallace <b>Qualifications:</b> Business owner, is very active in the community.	Believes the issues of minors in the bars and the need for lighting on the bypass should be looked at.	Wants a better relationship between Northwest and the Council and does not think many people realize what the University does for the town.	He has attended few meetings, so he has no comment.	Thinks there should be stricter control on housing. Believes either more people need to help inspect or current inspectors need to do a better job.	Does not believe the under-21 crowd and 21-and-over crowd should be mixed. Believes the University should develop a club for minors.

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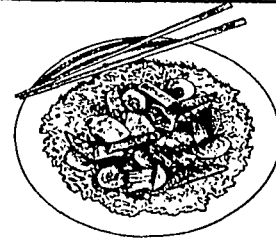
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## Chamber recognizes students' influence

Local businesses say they cater to the needs of University community

By TATE SINCLAIR  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Northwest students make up a vital part of Maryville's economy, and the city's Chamber of Commerce and business members said they recognize and support this fact.

City Manager David Angerer believes Maryville would be a much different community were it not for the money Northwest students, faculty and staff pour into the economy of the city.

"You wouldn't recognize Maryville (without the University)," Angerer said. "It would cease to have the excellent quality of a Midwest community it has now."

Angerer supported his statement when he said Northwest students make up one-third of Maryville's population, and this does not include the faculty and staff who form the University.

"The students' impact on the local economy is huge," Angerer said. "In the summer, our sales tax decreases approximately 10 to 15 percent."

Alice Hersh, former interim director of The Greater Maryville Chamber of Commerce, agrees with Angerer.

"Over 5,000 students make a tremendous impact on the business community," Hersh said. "And businesses in the Chamber do try to cater to the student."

The Chamber, comprised of business members, recently appointed a new executive director, Joss Walters, and a president, Keith Arnold.

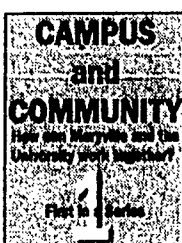
The Chamber's primary goal is to promote businesses in the community by establishing promotional events, such as the up-coming warehouse sale.

"Historically, students are enormous money spenders," Angerer said. "They spend money on books, entertainment and many other things."

Many businesses in the Chamber, such as the Sport Shop, recognize the dramatic impact of Northwest students.

Al Turner, owner and manager, said college students make up about 40 percent of his business, and he repays them by re-stocking the items students want to buy.

"We carry school jackets, hats and sweatshirts," Turner said, "but we also



carry fraternity and sorority things like glasses, beer mugs and paddles."

Another Chamber member thriving on students is the Jean Queen.

Manager David Wells said about 85 percent of his clients come from either college or high school. Without them, he said the shop would probably be selling something else.

"That (students) is definitely who we cater to," Wells said. "Without them, I wouldn't have much business."

Pat Ohlerking, assistant manager at Hy-Vee, said that his store can tell when winter and mid-semester breaks.

"We see a noticeable difference when the students go home," Ohlerking said. "Fortunately during summer, business picks up. But during breaks, we see a big decline in quick-food items like pizzas and chips."

Service industries also benefit from the Northwest students' business.

Joy Jones, manager of O'Hair Salon and Tanning, said about 40 percent of the salon's customers are University students, and they are happy to serve them.

"We're glad to have college students come in here," Jones said. "We wouldn't do as well without them."

Dawn Gardner, student senator on the Off-Campus Housing Coalition, said students have a lot to do with the success of a business in town.

"We have a great impact on grocery stores and fast-food places, as well as larger stores such as Wal-Mart," Gardner said. "And the businesses do a good job of keeping good relations with the students."

Yet some students do not think the business community does as much for the student as it could.

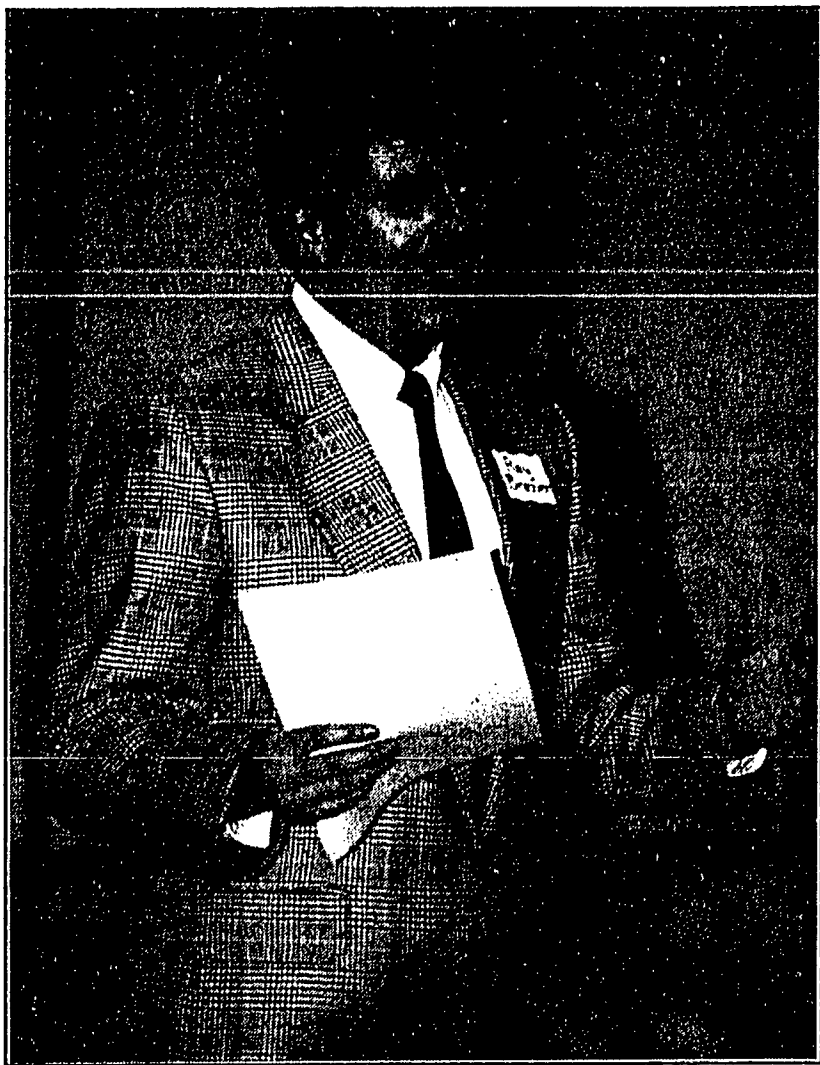
"Businesses need to utilize the students better throughout the year with more specials and gimmicks for them," Nancy Lippert said.

However, some students say they feel welcome in Maryville.

"Most businesses do a pretty good job," Lea-Ann Vetter said. "For the most part, it depends on the kind of past experiences the person has had with students."

**"Over 5,000 students make a tremendous impact on the community. And businesses in the Chamber do try to cater to the student."**

Alice Hersh  
Former interim  
Chamber director



STACEY MEYER/Northwest Missourian

RAY BRAZIER, PRESIDENT of St. Francis Hospital, gives an introductory speech to kick off a community meeting centered around the topic "Are You Living In A Healthy Community?"

## Community health focus of meeting

By TATE SINCLAIR  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Maryville is a healthy place for families to live, but there is room for improvement.

This was the feeling at the community meeting Monday.

After nearly an hour of small group discussion, the general consensus was that Maryville needs to offer better and more accessible health care.

Community members said there needs to be better communication among the community and volunteer groups.

Most of the people in attendance agreed that there needs to be more affordable health care offered in the community, but there were no definite theories on who would pay for it.

One person echoing this need was graduate student Eric Sipes.

"Health care is definitely a big part of a healthy community," Sipes said.

Several discussion groups at the meeting noted the need for communication in the community.

Groups cited the overwhelming number of volunteers with little leadership or focus as a prime example.

Rachelle Burchett, one of the few Northwest students in attendance, said she was impressed with the meeting.

"It's more interesting than I thought it would be," Burchett said.

"I've learned that it takes everyone working together to improve the community," she said.

The basic theme of the meeting was "Are You Living In A Healthy Community?"

It was meant as a way of gathering information for the Wellness Works Committee.

Wellness Works is trying to find ways for the residents of northwest Missouri to make their community a healthier environment.

The meeting included introductory speeches from Ray Brazier, president of St. Francis Hospital, and Dr. Gerald Wilmes, director of student health services.

Rollie Stadlman, a member of the St. Francis Hospital Board of Trustees, was supposed to preside over the meeting, but was ill and unable to attend.

Anyone interested in more information can call Julie Durham at 562-2600, extension 6003.

## VPAA candidate to return to University

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go on to the next candidate on Hubbard's list of potentials.

Hubbard has requested that the faculty to give their negative and positive feedback on their opinions of Gilmour after he visited the University Jan 25-27.

"I have a stack of e-mails, and there is not one negative (comment)," Hubbard said. "They are uniformly positive."

Robert Dewhirst, associate profes-

sor of government, said he only had a little time to speak with Gilmour when he visited last week but was impressed with what he heard.

"I found him to be very personable, and he was open to comments from the faculty," Dewhirst said. "From my limited experience with him, he made a good first impression."

Others were impressed with his willingness to answer their questions in addition to his open and warm personality.

"I was very impressed," Patricia

Bowers Schultz, Faculty Senate president, said. "He seemed to be a very warm and open person."

"He handled questions well and I think he will be someone the faculty can trust."

Gilmour said one of the reasons he is considering coming to Northwest is because of the real regard for quality that Hubbard and the University possess.

He said he likes the new reorganization of the University and the idea of letting faculty have more say in poli-

cies that concern them.

However, he also said the next VPAA may have a problem in resisting the temptation to make decisions for the faculty.

When Gilmour spoke to faculty, he was asked why he wanted to leave his current job. He told them his chance of being promoted from within was slim because he is not an engineer.

He liked the idea of coming to Northwest because he wants to improve the quality of education and believes the University is on the right track.

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## CALENDAR

**2 THURSDAY**

4 p.m. AMA meeting in 228 Colden Hall.  
5 p.m. PRSSA meeting in 141 Wells Hall.  
7 p.m. Ambassadors Inc. Bible study in Baptist Student Union.  
7:30 p.m. Bearcat Sweethearts meeting in 243 Colden.  
8 p.m. Traci Tomquist recital in the Charles Johnson Theater.

**3 FRIDAY**

Jazz festival in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center and the Charles Johnson Theater.  
Last day to drop first-block courses in the Registrar's office.

**4 SATURDAY**

8 a.m. ACT test in 228 Colden.  
Bearcat basketball at Missouri Western State College.

**5 SUNDAY**

10:30 a.m. Catholic mass in the University Club North.

**6 MONDAY**

5:30 p.m. Phi Sigma Kappa meeting in the University Club North.  
5:30 p.m. Chi Alpha meeting in Regent's Room.  
6 p.m. Alpha Mu Gamma dinner in the Union Ballroom.  
6:30 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon meeting in the University Club North.  
7 p.m. Horning pottery exhibit lecture in 244 Fine Arts Building.  
7:30 p.m. Women's basketball vs. Kearney State in Bearcat Arena.  
Horning pottery exhibit lecture opens in the DeLuce Gallery.

**7 TUESDAY**

7 p.m. ABC panel discussion in Governor's Room.  
7:30 p.m. Café Karma featuring Roger Gillen in the Union Ballroom.

**8 WEDNESDAY**

8 a.m. GED testing will be in 232 Wells Hall.  
10 a.m. HHPERD meeting will be in 400 Martindale Gym.

## New year celebration focuses on luck

By AMY DUGGAN  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

The aroma of the Mandarin's Chinese buffet, instrumental music and the rumble of friendly voices filled the air as members of the Chinese Students Association and others celebrated the new year.

Although they were away from home, members found the perfect substitute for their biggest holiday Saturday as they mingled among friends at the Mandarin Restaurant to honor the year of the boar.

Gerald Kramer, sponsor and associate professor of marketing/management, said the feast was an important part of the organization and of the Chinese culture.

Each Chinese year is named after an animal to symbolize what type of fortune the months ahead will bring. The actual new year began Tuesday, but hectic schedules and classes caused members of the association to observe the day earlier in the month.

Like many holidays, the day has many traditions. "Our family gets together to eat and the kids stay up late," Sharon Cha, CSA president, said.

Traditions include eating dumplings for luck, wearing new clothes and dumping out the trash on New Year's Eve. The clothes give a sense of a new self for the new year, while dumping the trash symbolizes getting rid of the old while bringing in the new.

Though family members were not present to give the packages to their children, members kept the spirit alive by handing out the "red pocket." The pocket is a red envelope traditionally sealed with money given to children by either a married couple or their parents to be opened at midnight.

The money not only symbolizes luck for the upcoming year, but a word of advice to the children, Grace Cheng, vice president of CSA, said.

"I miss my parents the most saying to me, 'You have grown up in one year, you have to be nice to people,'" Cheng said.

Aside from being with family, Bob Chan believed collecting as many red pockets as possible is also



LESLIE THACKER/Contributing Photographer

**CELEBRATING THE YEAR of the Boar, Mikki Lin entertains members and guests of the Chinese Student Organization during their annual Chinese New Year dinner. This year the organization had their dinner at The Mandarin restaurant.**

important.

Kramer as well said the reminder of their culture is meaningful to the celebration.

"It's a touch of home," Kramer said. "Obviously if I were in India or somewhere, I would want to celebrate in some way."

During the dinner, members passed around a red pocket while playing music. The one who had the pocket when the music stopped, opened the package and read the bad or good luck message to the group.

Other games played during the party involved, volunteers attempting to learn Chinese characters after reviewing them only a few minutes and a competition to pick up as many marbles with

chopsticks as possible in one minute. Finally, the evening ended as they sang "Gong Xi," or "Happy New Year" in Chinese.

Psychology Professor Wayne VanZomeran said he not only enjoyed the change in atmosphere at the dinner, but also said the cultural activity was a different experience.

"The food was excellent," VanZomeran said. "It was fun trying the chopsticks and the program was an appropriate length."

The holiday is usually celebrated during a full moon or 30 days after. Although the members are away from home during the significant holiday, many found alternative ways to be entertained.

## AWARDS &amp; RECOGNITIONS

■ The Northwest Forensics team participated in the Concordia College Tournament this weekend.

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6th place – Shawn Bechtol

**Duo Interpretation**

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**Dramatic Interpretation**

3rd place – Marc Vasquez

5th place – Shawn Bechtol

**Program of Oral Interpretation**

5th place – Mary Moore

6th place – Melanie Brown

**Impromptu acting**

1st place – Chris Carpenter

**Prose semi-finalist**

Cara Gitto

Tish Tapia

**Poetry**

2nd place – Neil Neumeyer

**Communication analysis**

5th place – Neil Neumeyer

**Persuasion**

2nd place – Tish Tapia

**After-Dinner speaking**

1st place – Shawn Bechtol

2nd place – Mary Moore

4th place – Marc Vasquez

5th place – Melanie Brown

6th place – Jim Ulvestad

## CAMPUS CRIME Campus Judiciary and Campus Safety reports

## Campus Judiciary Reports

■ A male was charged with misuse of the University computer system. He was found in violation and placed on campus conduct probation but is still able to hold office in extracurricular groups through Dec. 31, and has lost E-mail privileges.

■ A male was charged with making obscene/harassing phone calls and placed on strict campus conduct probation but is still able to receive financial aid through May 13. His appeal was denied and he was fined \$100.

■ A male student received four charges

and was found in violation of all four. Charges consist of operating a vehicle while intoxicated; causing damage to University property, being in possession of a controlled substance and receiving stolen property. He was placed on campus conduct probation, all inclusive, through Dec. 31. He has to pay restitution for damages, attend an After Hours program and was fined \$400. His appeal was denied.

■ A male received two charges of escort violation and violation of probation. He was found in violation of both and issued a conduct warning and has to maintain

current probation.

■ A male student received three charges causing damages and vandalism; discrimination (racial slurs) and inappropriate behavior. He was found in violation of all charges. He was placed on campus conduct probation, all inclusive, through May 13. He was ordered to pay restitution for damages or clean up. He appealed but the committee upheld its initial decision. He was fined \$100.

## Campus Safety Reports

■ 1-26-95 A male reported that while his vehicle was parked in lot #2, person(s) unknown removed four hubcaps from his vehicle. It is still under investigation.

■ 1-26-95 Officers were dispatched to Franken Hall to check the well-being of a male student. Upon arrival, it was determined that the student appeared to be in good condition.

■ 1-27-95 Officers were dispatched to Cook Hall to respond to a fire alarm. After checking the building for smoke and fire, a small amount of smoke was found. It was determined that a possible flammable item was held close to the smoke detector, causing the alarm to activate.

■ 1-27-95 Officers were dispatched to Wilson Hall to respond to a fire alarm.

After checking the building for smoke and fire, none was found. Upon investigation, it was determined that person(s) unknown had activated a pull station causing the system to activate. The system was reset.

■ 1-27-95 A male reported that while his vehicle was parked in lot #13, another vehicle struck the right side of the vehicle causing moderate damage.

■ 1-28-95 A student reported that a female fell down the stairs in the Student Union, resulting in injury to the right side of her face. Officers transported subject to St. Francis Hospital for treatment.

**Correction:** In the Jan. 26 issue of the *Missourian*, an article reported that the deli would be offering hot dishes and different choices of fruit. Campus dining said they are only considering such options.

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# Senate endorses proposal

By APRIL BURGE  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

After some serious debate and inquiry, Student Senate endorsed a proposed policy that has brought campus-wide attention to a sensitive issue.

The policy proposes that consensual amorous relationships between faculty and students not be allowed.

Annelle Weymuth, the Equal Employment Opportunity officer, presented the policy Tuesday night to Student Senate in hopes of gaining its support on this issue.

The proposal began two years ago when University officials realized that Northwest did not have a policy specifically addressing its stance on this issue.

Weymuth said she believes the University is in need of a strict code of ethics relating to this subject.

Despite her denying that this policy was not founded because of past romantic relationships between faculty and students, Senate members questioned the validity and necessity of such a proposal.

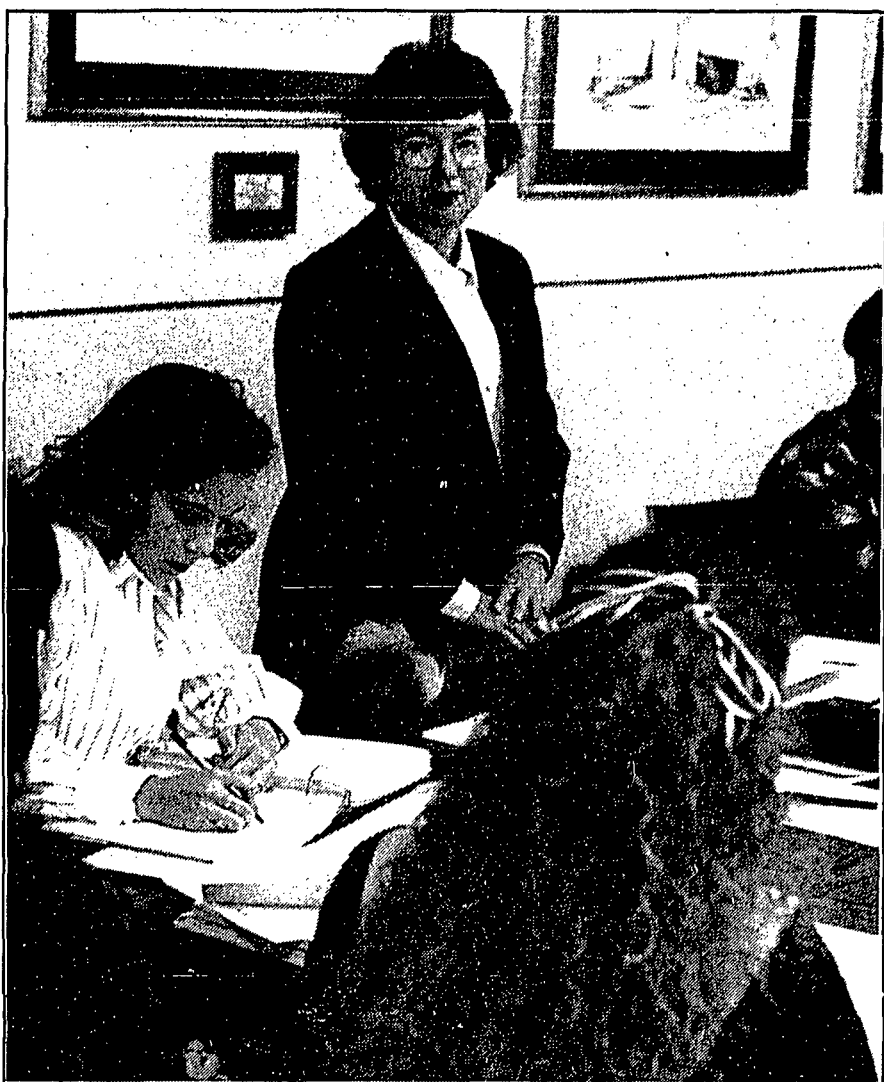
"Basically the blame will be taken off the University and placed on the shoulders of the faculty member if a case like this arises," Monica Nauss, Senate member, said.

Weymuth defended her stance by stating that this proposal is merely an insurance policy the University can rely on in litigation circumstances.

Weymuth was unable to provide detailed disciplinary actions for faculty who do not abide by the strict conduct guidelines, but promised that there would be serious ramifications if an incident arose.

After receiving Student Senate approval, Weymuth hopes to find support from Faculty Senate and the Board of Regents.

The Senate also decided to unanimously support another proposal Tuesday night when Phil Laber, associate professor of art,



CHRIS TUCKER/Contributing Photographer

ANNELLE WEYMUTH ASKED Student Senate to endorse a proposal on consensual amorous relationships during Tuesday's meeting.

presented a statement on multiculturalism. The University does not have an official policy on multiculturalism.

"Multiculturalism embodies respect for all people of all backgrounds in a harmonious co-existence," Laber said.

Laber and the Multicultural Affairs Committee want to educate students of the diversity at Northwest.

"We can definitely see this fitting in the curriculum of the freshman seminar classes," Laber said.

# Roberta not in hot water

By SUSAN LORIMOR  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

As if living with a ghost were not bad enough, Roberta Hall residents have been forced to take cold showers for the past week.

However, the problem is now under control, Jeff Barlow, director of Environmental Services, said.

The residence hall, renovated this summer to repair structural damages, received a new hot water heating system. However, the system has already malfunctioned.

"We ran into a problem that we just did not foresee," Barlow said.

Roberta's heating system is unlike systems of other residence halls that require a storage tank for the hot water, Barlow said.

Instead, the new system heats the water directly, eliminating the need for a storage tank.

Kristal Turner, a Roberta resident since De-

cember, has been inconvenienced by the problems. "I haven't had a hot shower since I moved in," Turner said. "I've taken a shower with goosebumps every day."

Because of the renovations, Roberta residents were to be charged an extra \$200 per semester in room fees. However, residents said they were not charged the extra amount because of all the problems that have occurred.

Barlow said the system created two problems. One was a lack of consistency in hot water, and the other was the absence of hot water caused by scale build-up.

The solution to this problem was simply cleaning, and that was what caused the delay.

While the problem may be fixed for the residents, the solution was a costly one for the University. Repairs have already cost \$1,400.

Barlow said when the heating problems are completely resolved, it will cost the University \$5,000-\$6,000.

# South Complex finds RAs

By JENNIE NELSON  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The beginning of the spring semester has brought about an unusual lack of resident assistants for some residents of South Complex.

Until recently, residents of first floor Cook and second floor Richardson have been without RAs since the beginning of the semester.

Second Richardson has just received a new RA last week while first Cook received one Monday.

Wendy Freedman, South Complex hall director, said some of the RAs in South Complex found other opportunities and were unable to return for the second semester.

First floor Cook RA Gary "Bubby" Chaney was accepted to nursing school and transferred to Missouri Western State College. Because of the shortage of male RAs on campus, these floors have been on their own.

"Residential life has very high standards of its RAs and sometimes it's difficult to achieve (those standards)," Freedman said.

Apparently the lack of RAs had created some problems for the residents.

"Second Richardson is a very strong community," Freedman said. "They are night owls and there have been times when the loudness effects the other residents."

Residents of the floor seemed to think that being without an RA was not a problem.

Zach Smith, first Cook floor president said he does not believe that the floor has had discipline problems.

"It hasn't been too bad," Smith said. "We're all pretty self-sufficient guys. We're pretty good friends and do a lot of things together."

Because of the lack of RAs, current resident assistants have been pitching in to help.

RA Dawn Wilson has helped second Richardson with floor meetings, door decorations, and programs, working together with her floor.

"It's time-consuming, but probably one of the best learning experiences as an RA that I've had," Wilson said. "I've had to take a different stand with the guys than the girls."

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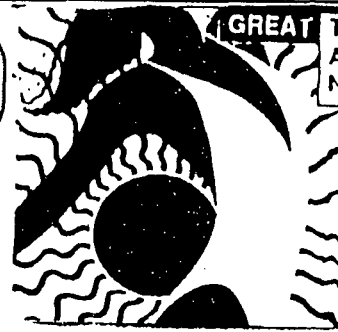
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## Administration tries to explain increases

By CHRIS TRIEBSCH  
CHIEF REPORTER

Recent tuition increases and the prediction of more increases in the future have left many students wondering where their money is going and why these increases are necessary.

Warren Gose, vice president for Finance, said he would like to keep tuition costs down, but does anticipate another increase for next year.

Just how much of an increase is not yet known.

University President Dean Hubbard cited two reasons for the tuition increases.

"Obviously, as inflation continues, the University has to pay more for the goods and services that it purchases," Hubbard said. "It is a bit above inflation (because) the state continues to shift the cost of higher education onto the backs of students."

Hubbard said the state was paying 78 percent of University costs when he arrived in 1983.

Now the state is only paying about 50 percent.

Gose said although tuition went up last year, all of it went to renovating Lamkin Gym.

State funding has decreased regularly over the past few years and much of the money the state does give to the

University is required fund certain expenses.

Some students still do not understand why tuition has increased.

"I do not feel it is necessary that they raise it," Amy Deterding said. "I think I pay them enough. If they (had a valid reason) they did not state it."

Other students think the tuition increase is because the University spends so much on renovations.

"It has been steadily increasing since I have been here, and I do not like it,"

Becky Butler said. "My idea of the increases is that they keep renovating and they have renovated enough and need to wait a few years."

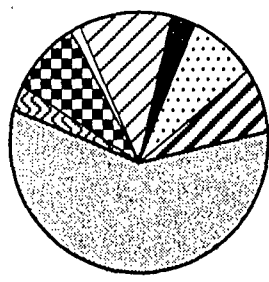
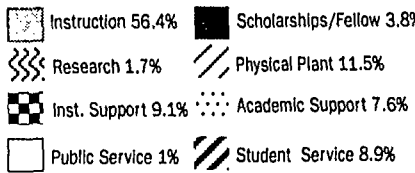
Further contributing to the increase, the budget cuts made last semester did not make up for the increases because the cuts have not gone into effect yet.

"The impact of the budget cuts are about two years (away)," Hubbard said. "So it will benefit future students and current students in future years."

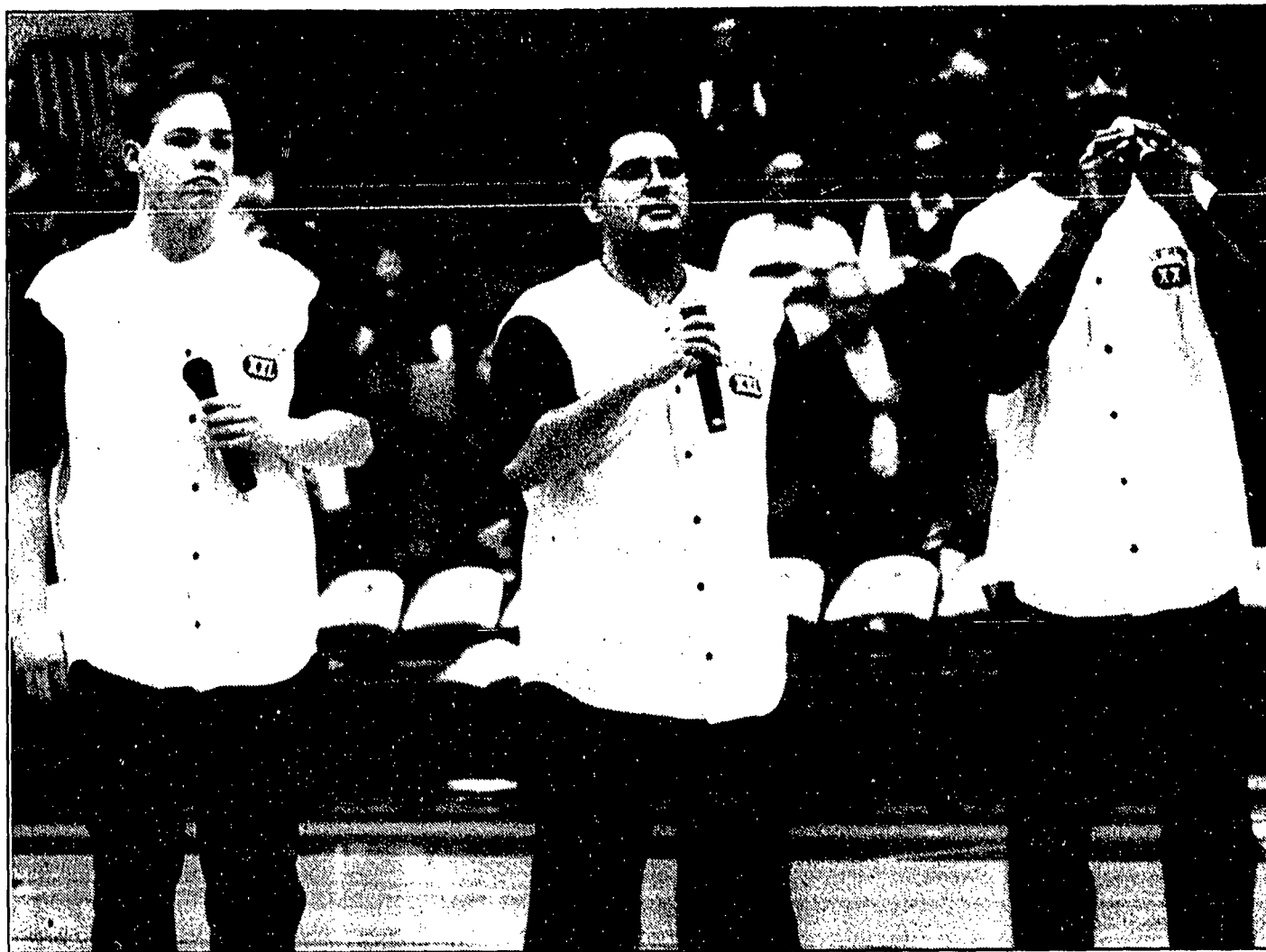
As to where students' money goes, Hubbard said the bulk goes into instruction.

Hubbard said the national average for money going into instruction is 48.5 percent, while Northwest has averaged in the high '50s. He said those numbers should increase in the future.

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JASON WENTZEL /Missourian Staff

## Alumna to perform guest recital

Former music student returns after numerous roles in big productions

By JULIE SHARP  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Who says you can never come back home?

One of Northwest's own is coming home for a visit. 1986 graduate Traci Tornquist will return to campus for a guest recital at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Charles Johnson Theater.

The music department has been



Traci Tornquist has starred in "The Wizard of Oz"

awaiting her return visit, Richard Weymuth, associate professor of music, said.

"Traci was one student who never settled for being just 'good.' She had to be perfect," Weymuth said. "More and more now, our students are striving for that perfection and leaving here to go out and become excellent teach-

ers and performers. People here thought the world of Traci and we are very proud of her."

Tornquist said she is very excited to be back at Northwest, a place that holds wonderful memories for her.

"There are tons of emotions associated with coming back," Tornquist said. "I feel really excited, a little nervous about performing, though."

After graduating from Northwest nine years ago, Tornquist went on to tour the Midwest with the National Theatre for Children. With that group, she portrayed Auntie Em in its produc-

tion of "The Wizard of Oz."

Other credits include a six-year performance run with the San Francisco Opera Chorus and a current role in the San Francisco production of Andrew Lloyd Webber's "The Phantom of the Opera."

Tornquist's part in the musical is that of a vacation swing actress, someone who plays different roles when other actresses take nights off.

"It's a big job but it's great fun," Tornquist said. "I never get bored because I'm always doing something different."

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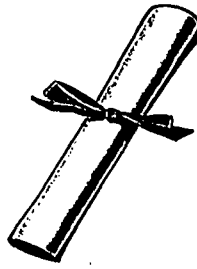
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COMEDIAN GEORGE WALLACE runs through his material during his first performance last Thursday. Wallace covered such topics as the O.J. Simpson trial, the stupid things people say and inexpensive Christmas gifts.

JON BRITTON/  
Missourian Staff

# Comedian makes impact

By CHRIS TRIEBSCH  
CHIEF REPORTER

The laughter during the George Wallace show would have convinced anyone that the audience was packed, but numbers do not lie.

Dave Gieseke, Campus Activity Programmers adviser, said they did not sell as many tickets as he hoped, but CAPs is used to losing money on those types of shows. The attendance was around 350. Gieseke said the low turnout did not bother him.

"The people that attended enjoyed it," Gieseke said. "And the bottom line is trying to provide entertainment."

Wallace performed in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center Thursday to a roaring audience.

"I thought he was very funny," Keyma Bess said. "(CAPs) brought

something to campus worthwhile, and I enjoyed it immensely."

Other students thought he was funny because Wallace's comedy revolved around everyday life situations.

"Ever get in an elevator and all the buttons are pressed?" Wallace asked. "I do that."

Wallace also had plenty to say about the stupid things people say, such as people calling and asking if you are home.

"I thought it was really good," Scott Jones said. "I liked his observations on everyday life. You hear him and you think yeah, he is right."

Wallace did a lot of interacting with the audience during his show, sometimes getting jokes thrown back at him.

"I am not funny, it's the audience," he said. "I just happen to be the one

leading the conversation. I do not know what I am doing, I am just having fun."

Although his show is sometimes planned, he said he usually does not know what he is going to do until he gets on stage.

Wallace said there was no difference between performing in Maryville and other places he has performed.

"They are all the same," he said. "Stage, microphone, good people and laughs. It all equals the same thing. It (was) just as good as San Francisco."

Wallace's future endeavors include starring in his own made-for-TV show called "Say Hello To George Wallace." Wallace said the show should be out by this time next year.

Wallace will also play the mayor of Gotham City in "Batman Forever." Shooting for that movie will begin at the end of February.

# Survey represents attitudes

By JENI KLAMM  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

After the hassle students went through last semester to take assessment tests, the University has now compiled the results.

Dave Oehler, director of the Talent Development Center, helps organize the tests and collect information from them.

"The assessment tests help to collect information on opinions about the University or academics from the students," Oehler said.

Each student is required to take a test. Whether it is a survey or a writing test, the information from the testing benefits the University by providing insight into the students' minds, Oehler said.

Freshmen are tested when they first come to Northwest and Sophomores take a survey.

However, juniors have surveys, writing samples and critical-thinking tests. Seniors do an academic profile.

Some students said the assessment tests should not be required.

"I think it should be optional," Shawn Sloan said. "If you don't have the time, you shouldn't be forced to do it. The survey is opinion anyway."

Other students thought of their own ideas on how to improve the assessment test system.

"I think classes should be divided so one group could do the survey their freshman year and the other half their sophomore year," Jamie Dierking said. "That way we would only have to take it once."

Each test is important to the assessment in unique ways, Oehler said.

"The critical-thinking aspect of the test is important because it is beneficial for students to be able to think for themselves, but at the same time, critically," Oehler said.

"Surveys help to determine what the students think about academics, the environment or other programs on campus. We want a lot of feedback," he said.

Some Northwest departments use major field testing to help find negative

## JUNIOR CLASS SURVEY RESULTS

During the 1994 fall semester, academic year, 666 juniors were chosen to take a survey or an assessment test. These results are only from a portion of the survey.

<b>Satisfied with instruction quality:</b>	<b>How many hours working:</b>
67% - Yes	31% - more than 20
26% - Yes, very much so	21% - 16-20
6% - No	20% - 6-10
2% - No, definitely not	18% - 11-15
	10% - 5 or less
<b>Education makes you a better citizen and person:</b>	<b>Felt safe on campus:</b>
52% - Yes	59% - Yes
42% - Yes, very much so	36% - Yes, very much so
6% - No	18% - No
1% - No, definitely not	3% - No, definitely not
<b>Education will secure a job:</b>	<b>Felt safe in the residence halls:</b>
53% - Yes	64% - Yes
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6% - No	6% - No
1% - No, definitely not	1% - No, definitely not
<b>Changed majors at Northwest:</b>	<b>Personal property secure or safe:</b>
53% - Not changed	63% - Yes
32% - Once	4% - Yes, very much so
9% - Twice	6% - No
4% - Three	1% - No, definitely not
2% - Four or more times	
<b>Hours prepare for classes:</b>	<b>Safe in the community:</b>
34% - 6-10	59% - Yes
25% - 15	38% - Yes, very much so
17% - 5 or less	2% - No
10% - more than 20	1% - No, definitely not

and positive comments concerning their programs.

"It is helpful to University departments to find out if their classes are helping students or if they are not learning what they should be," Oehler said.

Alumni are also surveyed for their perceptions of life and academics before and after their time as Northwest students.

Students are able to see their own results from the tests, but the University concentrates on confidentiality for the students.

"We are happy to let students see

their own results, but we will not give out anyone else's information," Oehler said. "It is hard to give out any results as a whole because it depends on the test. We could give a student average, but we have to secure the student's individual privacy for single results."

Results are hard to obtain because they are sent directly to their source. University departments using surveys expect to see the results first.

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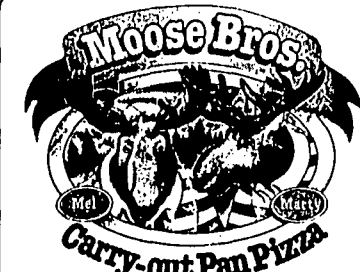
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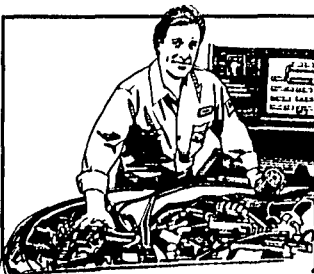


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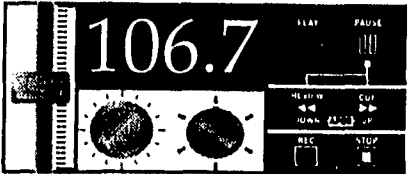
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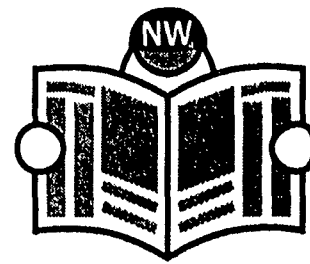
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## Men's Basketball

Wednesday, Feb. 1

Northwest 75, CMSU 72

	MIN	FG	FT	REB	AST	PF	TP
Fidler	25	15	0	1	2	1	2
Smith	23	36	66	14	0	2	12
Simon	37	38	15	0	3	4	7
Hoberg	3	0	0	1	0	0	0
Mauer	6	0	1	2	0	2	1
Jones	26	31	22	0	1	3	8
Szlanda	30	71	35	5	9	2	17
Harms	3	1	0	0	0	0	2
Jolley	33	91	34	31	1	2	21
Golden	14	23	0	1	2	1	5

TOTALS 200 29-64 16-24 12-33 13 15 76

Percentages: FG—45.3, FT—66.7, 3-Point Goals 1-9, .111 (Golden 1-1, Fidler 0-3, Smith 0-3, Simon 0-1, Mauer 0-1) Team rebounds: 1 Blocked shots: 1 (Jones) Turnovers: 15 (Jones 3, Szlanda 3, Simon 2, Mauer 2, Jolley 2, Fidler 3, Smith, Golden) Steals: 10 (Szlanda 3, Jolley 2, Fidler, Smith, Simon, Mauer, Golden) Technical fouls: Blackman 20:00 1st half Attendance: 2,400 (est.)

## Men's Basketball Standings

(conference and overall records)

	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.
1. Northeast	7-2	.778	14-5	.737
UMSL	7-2	.778	13-6	.684
Washburn	7-2	.778	11-7	.611
4. CMSU (12)	6-3	.667	15-3	.842
Mo. Western (16)	6-3	.667	15-4	.790
6. Pittsburg State	5-4	.556	9-9	.500
7. Mo. Southern	4-5	.444	10-9	.526
Northwest	4-5	.444	9-10	.474
9. SBU	3-6	.333	12-7	.632
Emporia State	3-6	.333	5-13	.278
11. UMR	1-8	.111	9-10	.474
Lincoln	1-8	.111	4-16	.200

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## Wednesday's MIAA results

Northwest 75, CMSU 72

Emporia State 87, UMR 72

Mo. Western 74, SBU 65

UMSL 91, Mo. Southern 83

Pittsburg State 83, Lincoln 81

Washburn 100, Northeast 77

## Women's Basketball

Wednesday, Feb. 1

Northwest 64, CMSU 63

	MIN	FG	FT	REB	AST	PF	TP
Laudont	10	0	0	1	0	0	0
Rasmussen	28	4	2	2	1	3	10
Ickes	30	3	5	10	4	2	11
Feaker	26	7	4	0	2	3	15
Cummings	40	1	7	1	2	0	13
Coy	22	3	7	1	1	1	7
Henry	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Krohn	36	6	17	4	1	0	21
Oertel	6	0	2	0	0	1	3

TOTALS 200 24-64 13-24 12-30 17 16 64

Percentages: FG—37.5, FT—54.2, 3-Point Goals 3-20, .150 (Krohn 2-9, Feaker 1-3, Cummings 0-4, Oertel 0-2, Laudont 0-1, Rasmussen 0-1) Team rebounds: 4 Blocked shots: 2 (Laudont 2) Turnovers: 16 (Cummings 5, Feaker 4, Coy 2, Oertel 2, Laudont, Ickes, Krohn) Steals: 10 (Krohn 3, Cummings 3, Feaker 2, Rasmussen, Ickes) Technical fouls: None Attendance: 450 (est.)

## Women's Basketball Standings

(conference and overall records)

	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.
1. Mo. Western (3)	9-0	1.000	18-1	.947
2. Mo. Southern	8-1	.889	14-5	.737
3. Washburn	7-2	.778	15-4	.789
4. Pittsburg State (12)	6-3	.667	16-3	.842
SBU (15)	6-3	.667	14-3	.824
6. CMSU	4-5	.444	13-6	.684
Emporia State	4-5	.444	10-9	.556
UMR	4-5	.444	10-9	.526
9. Northwest	2-7	.222	9-9	.500
UMSL	2-7	.222	7-12	.368
Northwest	2-7	.222	5-13	.278
Lincoln	0-9	.000	5-12	.294

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## Wednesday's MIAA results

Northwest 64, CMSU 63

UMR 67, Emporia State 65

Mo. Western 81, SBU 63

Mo. Southern 76, UMSL 60

Pittsburg State 78, Lincoln 63

Washburn 82, Northeast 66

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## KEY QUOTE

"I was very pleased with our performance. In the first half we were a step away on defense, but we came out in the second half and played great defensively and got the win."

-Steve Tappmeyer

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## Big Eight Basketball

(conference and overall records)

	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.
1. Kansas (3)	5-1	.833	16-2	.889
2. Oklahoma State	4-1	.750	14-6	.700
3. Missouri (16)	4-2	.667	15-3	.834
4. Oklahoma (25)	3-2	.600	16-4	.800
5. Iowa State (25)	3-3	.500	17-4	.810
6. Kansas State	2-5	.286	11-8	.579
7. Nebraska	1-4	.250	14-6	.700
8. Colorado	1-5	.167	10-7	.588

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## Monday's results

Missouri 80, Iowa State 71

Tuesday's results

Kansas 99, Colorado 77

Wednesday's results

Oklahoma 79, Iowa State 78

Oklahoma St. 82, Nebraska 65

## 'Cats' rally edges Jennies, 64-63



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FRESHMAN GUARD PAM Cummings drives the baseline on Central Missouri State University's Rachel

Matakas in Wednesday's 64-63 come-from-behind victory. Cummings dished out 13 assists in the win.

Krohn helps Northwest shatter losing streak; overall record now 9-9

By COLIN MCDONOUGH  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

A furious rally in the final three minutes of the second half allowed Northwest to snap their seven-game conference losing streak with a one-point victory over the Central Missouri State University Jennies, 64-63.

The 'Cats will now prepare to take on the Missouri Western State College Griffons at 5:30 p.m. Saturday in St. Joseph, Mo.

The Bearcats led 34-24 at the half-time break but struggled early in the second half and fell behind by as many as eight, 63-55, with 2:53 left in regulation.

Northwest closed out the game with a 9-0 run, fueled by a three-pointer by freshman guard Autumn Feaker.

The 'Cats, 9-9 overall, earned the final margin of victory with 13.2 seconds left in the contest on a free throw from junior guard Amy Krohn, who finished with 18 points to lead Northwest.

Head coach Wayne Winstead said Krohn really established herself as a leader down the stretch for the inexperienced Bearcats.

"We need leadership and she stepped up and brought the confidence up," he said. "The young kids ride on that and they need somebody to step up."

Freshman guard Pam Cummings handed out a team-high and career-high 13 assists.

Winstead said coming into the game, Northwest had to slow down the Jennies and the MIAA's top scorer, junior forward Rachel Matakas, to have a chance to win.

Matakas came into the game with a scoring average of 25.7 points a game. Northwest held Matakas to only 15 points.

Northwest continued to struggle through its bumpy MIAA schedule as the team lost its seventh straight con-

ference game to Emporia State University, 77-65.

Sophomore forward Leigh Rasmussen said the team is very close on and off the court so, despite the loss, they will not let anyone put their heads down.

"There is a lot of friendship on the team," she said. "We are trying to keep each other motivated."

Freshman forward Annie Coy said although the team is inexperienced, its horizons are limitless.

"We are a young team and we know we can only get better," she said.

The Bearcats jumped out to an early lead over the Lady Hornets to earn a 10-point halftime edge. Northwest then increased the lead to 12 points early in the second half.

Winstead said he was happy with the play of his team in the first half.

"In the first half we did things well," he said. "We were aggressive and took the ball to the hole."

However, the 'Cats fell victim to the Hornets' sting, as Emporia State went on a 20-1 run over an eight-minute stretch midway through the second half to lead, 62-54.

Winstead said the team's defense let down during the Hornets' run.

"We lost concentration on defense," he said. "On our weak-side defense, we weren't keeping track of the people we were guarding."

Coy said the team broke down on offense as well as defense while Emporia State went on their run.

"They beat us down the court and we didn't have good rotation on defense," she said. "We couldn't get our shots to fall and they could. We just fell apart."

Northwest tried to regroup and cut the Emporia State lead to four, 69-65, with 1:20 to play on two free throws by sophomore forward Sandi Ickes. But the Hornets drained all eight of their free throws down the stretch to secure the victory.

Feaker led the team in scoring with 14 points, while Cummings dished out a team-high nine assists.

## 2 tracksters qualify for nationals at ISU Invitational

By JASON TARWATER  
ASSISTANT TO THE EDITOR

The Bearcat track teams continued their early-season success by qualifying two people for nationals and breaking as many school records at the Iowa State University Invitational on Saturday.

Next up for the Bearcats is their second intrasquad meet of the season on Saturday in Bearcat Arena, to warm up for the Central Missouri State University Classic, in Warrensburg, Mo.

Freshmen Brandy Haan and Jacshelle Sasser became provisional qualifiers for the national meet March 10-11 in Indianapolis in a total of three events: the 55-meter dash, the 400 and the triple jump.

Ron DeShon, women's head coach, said the difference between qualifying provisionally and automatically for the national meet is not that great.

"The difference between them is automatic qualifiers, you go no matter what," DeShon said. "With provisional, they make a list and they normally take 12 to 14 people in each event and they go by rankings with the list."

Haan, who DeShon said never lost a sprint race in her

life before this year, qualified in the 400 and the 55. She finished second and fifth respectively in those events, leading the school record in the 55 in 7.16 seconds.

Haan said she is enjoying the competition she has faced in college thus far.

"The competition is very interesting," Haan said. "I'm not used to such a high level of competition."

Sasser qualified in the triple jump, placing third with a leap of 38 feet 7 3/4 inches.

In addition, Haan and Sasser were named MIAA runner and field athlete of the week, respectively. This is the first time in school history that two women have received these honors at the same time.

Freshman Kathy Kearns set a new school record of 18:34.2 with a sixth place finish in the 5,000-meter run.

Freshman Carrie Sindelar placed fifth in the 1,000, two places ahead of Kearns, who finished seventh.

Sophomore Renata Eustice, with a time of 10:45.57, placed sixth in the 3,000.

Kearns said each meet helps strengthen the team.

"Every meet, we come together more and realize that we need to come together more," Kearns said. "This is a young team, and each meet gives us more confidence

and makes us more united."

The men's team ran into tough competition of its own, with its best finishers, freshmen Joe Reichert and Jake Catherell, placing seventh in their respective events.

Reichert hurled the shot put 45-2 1/2. Catherell finished the 55-meter hurdles in 8.02 seconds.

Richard Alsop, men's head coach, also contributed the team's finish to the strong level of competition.

"We have a lot of injuries right now," Alsop said. "But even if we had been at our strongest, we probably would have finished similarly."

Catherell said if things go according to plan, then this team could be a force in the conference.

"If everyone runs to their ability, we have the talent to be a powerhouse," Catherell said.

DeShon said the CMSU meet will be a mini-conference meet, with every MIAA team in attendance and a great opportunity to see what the other teams in the conference can do.

"All the teams in our conference will be there along with a few other good teams," DeShon said. "We're going to go after it the best we can and prove we're one of the better teams there."

## Northwest upsets 12th-ranked Mules

By NATE OLSON  
CHIEF REPORTER

After dropping three straight conference games, Northwest came alive in a big way by stealing a 75-72 victory from NCAA Division II 12th-ranked Central Missouri State University Wednesday in Bearcat Arena.

Head coach Steve Tappmeyer was happy with his team's performance, especially on the defensive end.

"I was very pleased with our performance," he said. "In the first half we were a step away on defense, but we came out in the second half and played great defensively and got the win."

In the first half, Northwest struggled to stay in the game and trailed by 10 points with 2:35 to play, but the Bearcats were able to cut the Mules' lead to six points going into halftime.

There was a 25-minute delay in the game when CMSU's Byron Mannon hung on the rim, causing it to break away from the glass backboard.

In the second half, the 'Cats took back the lead with 14 minutes to play on junior forward Tom Szlanda's putback.

CMSU challenged, but Northwest would never trail again and escaped with the three-point victory.

Senior center Ricky Jolley scored 18 of his 21 points in the first half and

grabbed 11 rebounds to lead Northwest. Szlanda tallied 17 points and junior guard Derrek Smith, starting only his second game this season, chipped in 12.

Smith said it felt good to contribute offensively to such a big win, but he said he was just doing his job.

"(The game) was just big, it felt great," he said. "I just came in and did my job and got some opportunities to hit some shots off of my drives."

The win raises the 'Cats' MIAA record to 4-5 and their overall record to 10-9.

Northwest will now travel to Missouri Western State College at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in St. Joseph, Mo.

Tappmeyer said the Griffons are the best team in the conference, but can be beaten.

"They are very, very athletic and the most explosive team in the league," he said. "They are the best team in the league when they are playing to their potential, but they have been up and down so we just have to take care of our business."

Last Saturday the Bearcats tangled with Emporia State University and escaped with a 79-69 victory.

Although Tappmeyer did not want to call the game a must-win situation, he was relieved to escape victorious.

"All coaches hate have-to-wins, but

if there ever was one this season, this one was it," he said.

The first 11 minutes of the first half was a see-saw affair with no team leading by more than three points. However, an 8-0 run, capped by freshman guard Tony Mauer's three-pointer, gave the 'Cats a 27-19 lead.

The Hornets then closed the gap to five points, 36-31, going into halftime.

The Hornets tried to rally, but could only get within eight points with 1:19 left and Northwest was able to preserve the victory.

Senior guard Scott Fidler and junior guard Eddie Jones led the 'Cats in scoring with 16 points a piece.

Perimeter shooting, or the lack thereof, has been plaguing the Bearcats for much of the season, but Tappmeyer believes his squad will have better results the rest of the way.

"It is getting better partly because Mauer is coming in and shooting, and he is confident and has a shooter's mentality," he said.

Mauer, who had a career-high 14 points in a loss to Missouri Southern State College Jan. 25, said each game has given him more confidence.

"I have been getting a chance to play the last couple of games and I am getting more confident and just trying to make the most of my chances I get," he said.



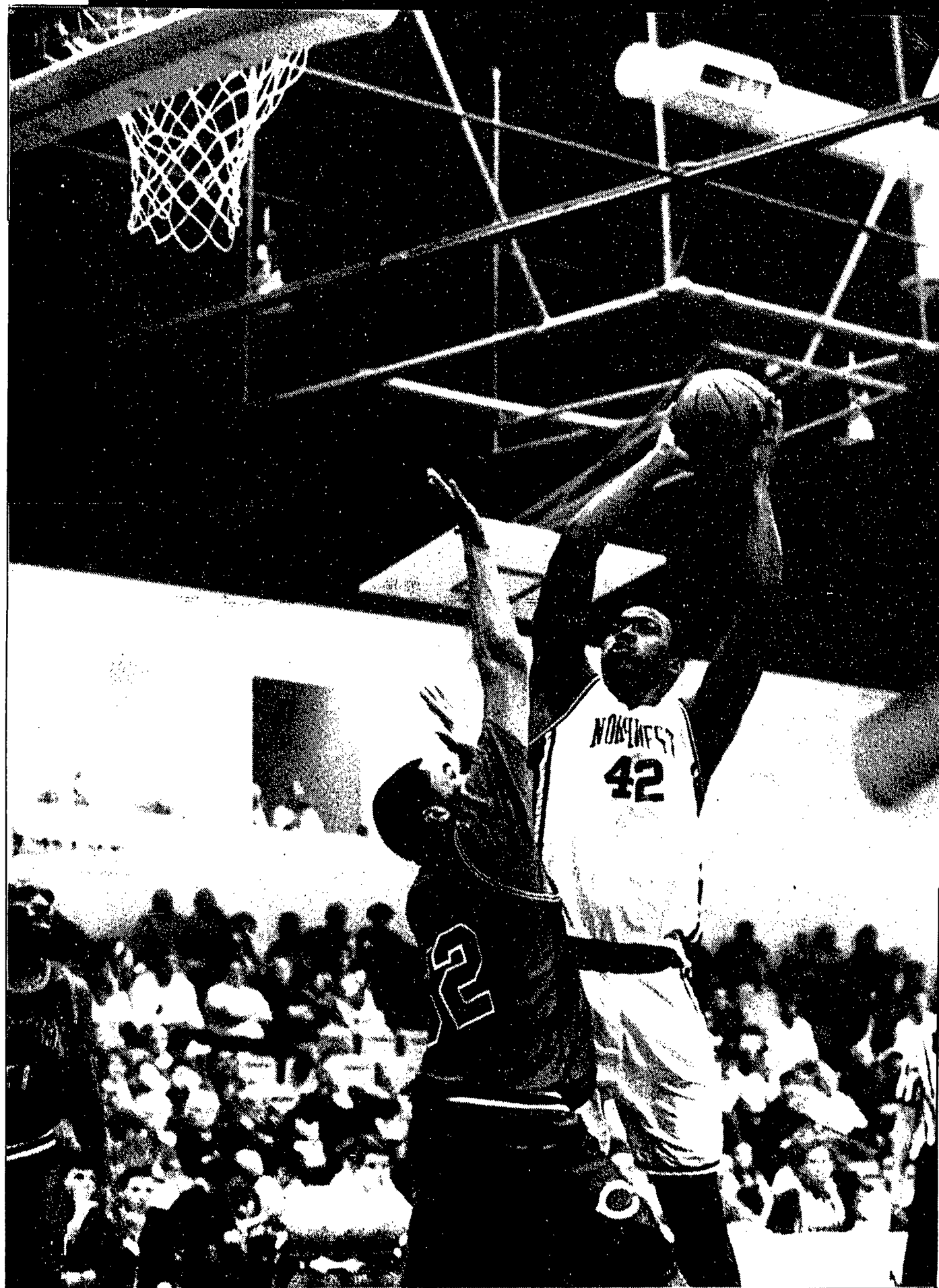
JON BRITTON/Northwest Missourian

JUNIOR FORWARD TOM Szlanda puts a head fake on Central Missouri State University's Demetrius Drew in an attempt to score for the 'Cats. Szlanda scored 17 points in the Bearcats' 75-72 MIAA win Wednesday.

# RICKY JOLLEY

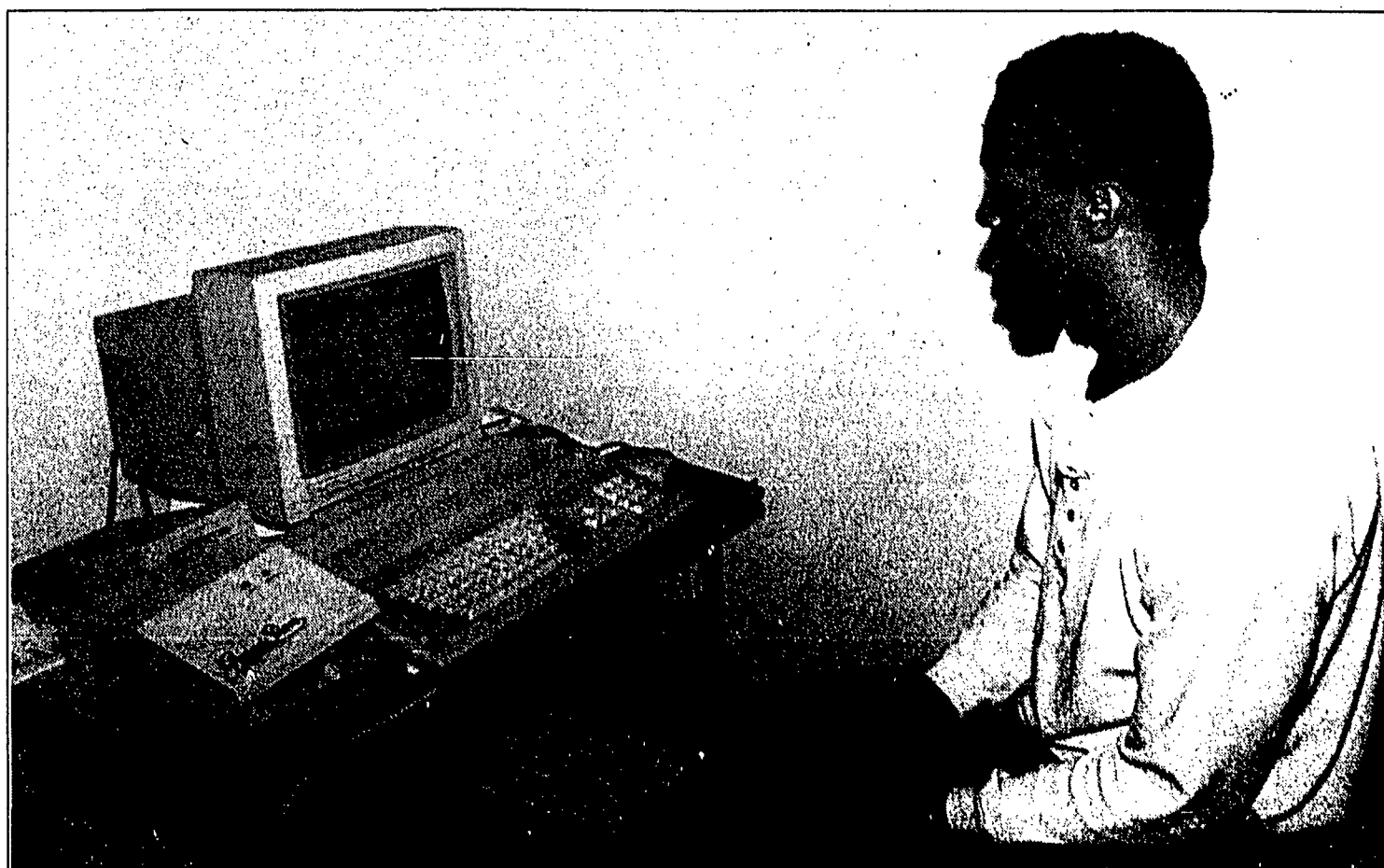
*Bearcat center succeeds both on and off the court despite tough beginnings*

Story by Nate Olson Photos by Jason Wentzel



BEARCAT CENTER RICKY Jolley towers over his Central Missouri State University counterpart as he muscled his way into the lane for a shot. Before arriving at Northwest, he played basketball at Penn State University in State College, Pa.

TAKING A BREAK from the rigors of homework and practice, Ricky Jolley relaxes while playing a little one-on-one basketball against the computer. When Jolley is not playing basketball on the computer or on the court, he spends time studying to earn his degree in computer science.



Fans who watch 6-foot-9-inch Northwest basketball sensation Ricky Jolley dominate opponents may find it hard to believe that he was not even recruited by the Bearcat coaching staff.

In fact, two years ago Jolley walked into Bearcat head coach Steve Tappmeyer's office and asked him if he could play on the team. Tappmeyer said he was doubtful about the situation at first.

"I thought it was too good to be true," he said. "I figured he either had really bad grades or he had an attitude problem. We did some checking and found out we were wrong in both cases and so we gambled and we are glad we did."

The gamble paid off as Jolley has averaged 12.2 points and 7.3 rebounds per game in his career at Northwest.

However, there was a time when Jolley did not even want to pick up a basketball.

"Before eighth grade I did not want to play at all; I had no desire," he said. "I was in my books a lot and got good grades, but I was athletic; I just did not play any organized sports."

Kathryn Jolley, Ricky's mother, said she encouraged him to give basketball a try and after some coaxing, he did.

"One Christmas I bought him a basketball and backboard and all of the neighborhood kids came to play with him," she said. "After a while he really enjoyed it."

When Jolley did give basketball a try, one particular moment hooked him on the sport.

"I was tall and finally the pressure from my peers and coaches was too much and I played (basketball) my eighth grade year," he said. "I realized basketball might be something I could do when I got a fast-break pass and dunked the ball."

After graduating in 1988 from Roosevelt High School in Gary, Ind., where he was ranked third in his graduating class and was a National Merit Scholar, Jolley set out for State College, Pa., to play basketball for the Penn State University Nittany Lions.

However, Jolley found the challenge of college-level athletics and classes to be more than he had bargained for.

"I did not go to class and did not do any work," he said. "It was a bad situation because it was my first time being that far from home and I could not go home much."

During the 1988-89 season for the Nittany Lions, Jolley was red-shirted, and during the 1989-90 season he averaged 1.2 points and 1.3 rebounds in 19 games.

He spent the first semester of the 1990-91 season with Penn State, did not dress for

any games and left school after that year.

Kathryn Jolley said she was happy her son went to Penn State, but discovered he needed to be at a smaller school.

"At first I was delighted he was going to Penn State, but it was too large and he was overwhelmed," he said. "He needed a small situation where he would be in a close relationship his with teachers and other students."

Josephus Jolley, Ricky's father, said Ricky got more than he bargained for at Penn State.

"He got there and he did not know anyone," he said. "He thought he could be lazy because he was so smart in high school and he got lonely and he just could not cope."

Jolley returned to Gary for two years, but then realized he wanted to go back to college, earn a degree in computer science and play basketball because he still had a competitive fire burning inside of him.

"When I was out for those two years, I really missed playing," he said. "I played at home, but I really missed playing competitively. That is what I was really glad to get back to."

Once Jolley found his way to tiny Maryville, drawn by the electronic campus, he made an immediate impact averaging 11.6 points and 7.3 rebounds per game last season.

Jolley was also able to improve his work off the court as well, earning a 2.9 grade point average.

However, despite his statistics and accomplishments, Jolley is not yet satisfied with his performance.

"I do not think I have played necessarily well the last six games," he said. "I have not been playing as hard or as smart as I can."

After this season Jolley would like to pursue a professional basketball career or a career dealing with computers.

"I would like to play basketball after I graduate, but I do not know how much of an option that is," he said. "Otherwise I would like to be a computer programmer or analyst or consult corporations about their computer systems."

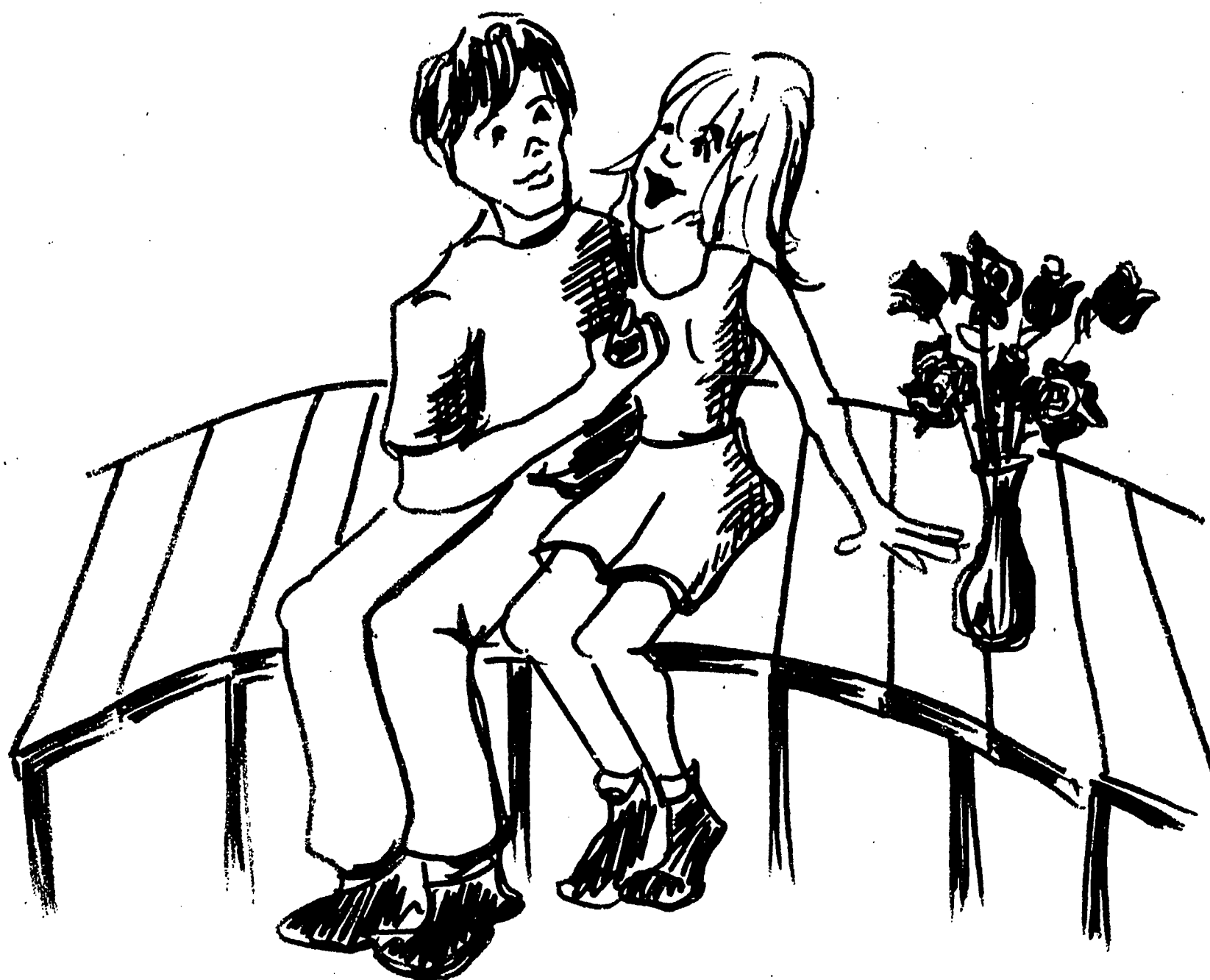
## PLAYER PROFILE

**Class:** Senior  
**Position:** Center  
**Hometown:** Gary, Ind.  
**Previous School:** Penn State University  
**Major:** Computer Science  
**Career stats:** Scoring average of 12.2 points per game, 7.3 rebounds per game and 41 blocks in 47 games at Northwest.  
**This season's stats:** Leads the team in scoring with 14.2 points per game, in rebounding with 7.8 per game and in blocked shots with one per game.





## Album of Dating Tales



# Love at first sight, or not

*Students recall tales of dating delight, horror*

*By Chera Prideaux*

**I**t seems almost everyone has had them: the date from hell. When it seems like the night will never end and your date does not get the subtle hints that you are not interested. Or, on the flip side, there is the perfect date, complete with atmosphere, romance and being with someone special.

### Dates from Hell

If only every date turned out the way you expected. Bryce Atkins went on a first date that ended up getting a little out of hand. He and his date were at his house playing pool when she started kissing him.

"She just kept kissing me and she would not stop," Atkins said. "She had long fingernails with which she started clawing my back. My back was just raw, and I had marks on it for three days afterward."

Jennifer Young did not get so "lucky" on one of her first dates. She was shocked when her date concluded the evening with a high five.

Sometimes something goes wrong and a date is ruined before it even starts. This happened to Brian Hesse before his senior prom.

"My date was expelled for punching someone two days before prom, so she could not go," Hesse said.

### Can We Talk?

The same was true for Becky Vacek, who was on the way to St. Joseph, Mo., to see a movie with her date. It was their first date, so she did not feel comfortable and the conversation was lacking.

"We were driving and we got in a fight because I did not talk so we turned around and came back," Vacek said. "It was the worst date I ever had."

Communication can be the key to having a successful date. A date who talks just a little or not at all can ruin the evening. Some believe it is sometimes difficult to stir up a conversation, especially on a first date.

"I think a lot of guys have that problem where the girl will not talk to them," Chad Voss said.

Many students described this as being the worst thing that could happen on a date — going out with a person who does not talk. Derek Owen was

disappointed when his date was not as friendly as he had hoped.

"She was just there all night and she never really said anything to me," Owen said. "It was worthless."

### Dates from Heaven

A perfect date often includes that special element of romance. Brent Romer made an extra effort to impress his girlfriend.

"The best romantic date I ever had was when I laid one dozen roses out on the table with candles lit and sang a song to my girlfriend," Romer said.

Paul Edmonds went out of his way to try to make his girlfriend's birthday special. He knew the owners of a restaurant in Maryville and arranged for an entire room to be reserved especially for him and his date.

"I had a table set up with candlelight and flowers," Edmonds said. "I think she liked it. The expression on her face was all I needed."

Heather Wiemar and Lucy Caputo wanted to plan something special for their boyfriends, who were always going out of their way for them.

They decided to surprise them with a candlelight dinner. They sent their boyfriends on a scavenger hunt and left them clues which led them all over, including to the bar where they had it ar-

ranged for the bartender to buy them a drink. Their final destination was Wiemar's boyfriend's house where the women served a picnic dinner complete with wine, music, candlelight and roses.

"They have done so much for us, so we wanted to plan something special to surprise them and show them how much we care," Wiemar said.

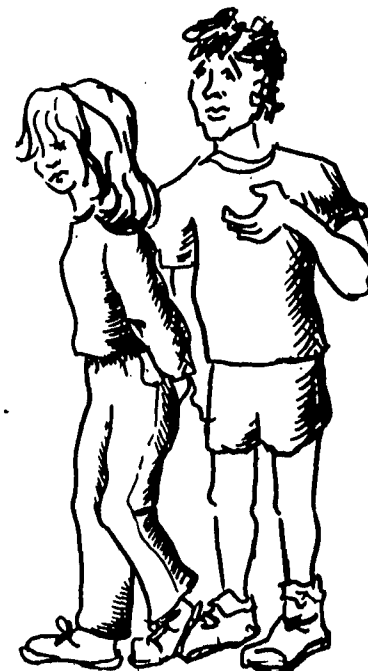
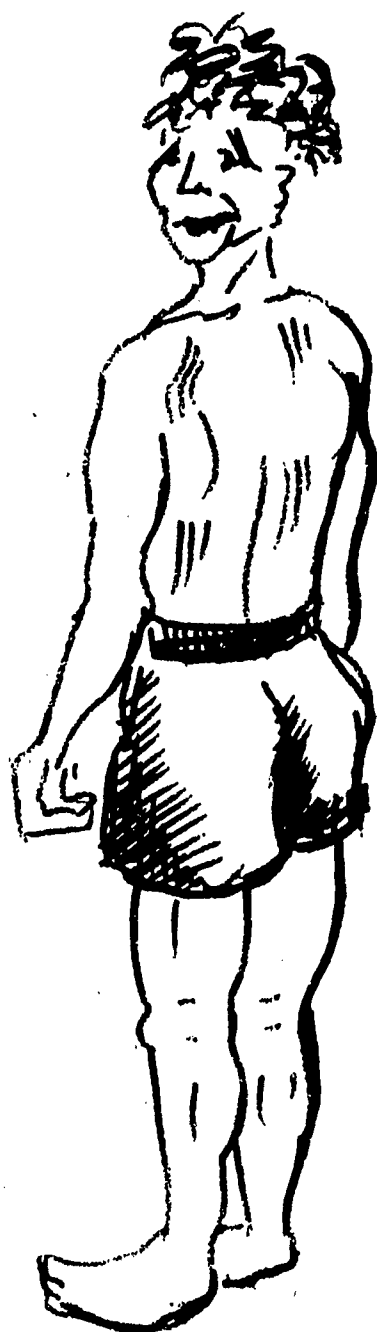
Sometimes it is not romance, but a unique atmosphere that is memorable. Kristin Schmaljohn spent a day with a guy in Kansas City, Mo., that she will never forget.

"We went to the zoo and walked around all day," Schmaljohn said. "Then we went out to an old highway and parked and watched the airplanes land as the sun set, the lights came on and lit up the runway."

For others it is the atmosphere that is memorable. Andrea Enright's boyfriend of three years took her back to the bridge where two years before had they first kissed.

"On Valentine's Day he took me back to the bridge, gave me a promise ring and he had roses sitting on the bridge for me," Enright said. "I cried. I thought it was really sweet."

Playing the dating game can be difficult, but once in a while a date turns out so well that it makes the rest worthwhile.



## Foster shines in award-worthy 'Nell'

'Nell'

★★★★ (out of four)

Universal Pictures

Stars: Jodie Foster, Liam Neeson,

Natasha Richardson

Director: Michael Apted

Rating: PG-13

Reviewer: Jennifer Stewart

How can it be that a woman who speaks a distorted form of English is touching hearts in movie theaters everywhere?

Jodie Foster gives one of her best performances yet in "Nell," as a scared, fragile woman who is left to survive the death of her mother in North Carolina's Smoky Mountains. She is unfamiliar with the world outside the refuge of her cabin and is coerced into starting a new life in the real world.

A local doctor, played by Liam Neeson, takes Foster under his wing and wants nothing but the best for her. He camps outside her cabin, hoping to make a breakthrough into Foster's sheltered character.

Neeson's only obstacle to overcome, other than Foster, is a child psychologist, played by Natasha Richardson, from a nearby university who is trying to institutionalize Foster.

Neeson keeps one step ahead of the game at all times. Richardson follows his steps and camps outside Foster's cabin as well. It is here that the struggle and romance begins between the two doctors.

Throughout the course of the movie, Neeson forms a tender spot in his heart for Foster and takes the role of her protector. He even breaks down the hard-core exterior of Richardson.

Foster pulls out all stops in this movie and shows how people need to



JODIE FOSTER PORTRAYS the title character in "Nell," who befriends her and Natasha Richardson as the psychologist who goes through a self-discovery.

communicate, and that it can be done with more than just words. This silver screen veteran has definitely come a long way from "Freaky Friday." Her performance is Oscar award-winning material.

Neeson is keeping up his standards from "Schindler's List." His struggle gains the audience's full support.

As for Richardson, her character leaves something to be desired. Her evasive character gains no brownie points.

All in all, "Nell" is award-worthy cinema. Without a doubt, this movie will not go unnoticed at Oscar time.

### 'When A Man Loves A Woman'

★★★ (out of four)

Tri-Star Video Release

Stars: Meg Ryan, Andy Garcia

Director: Edward Zwick

Rating: PG-13

Reviewer: Mike Johnson

Jodie Foster is guaranteed an Oscar nomination, but another performance that should not be ignored is Meg Ryan's in the sentimental "When A Man Loves A Woman."

Ryan and Andy Garcia play a married couple struggling to cope with

her dependence on the bottle and his dependence on her.

Although the film is mostly sentimental tripe, it boasts a trio of good performances.

Ryan is surprisingly good, showing a previously unexplored dramatic depth. Garcia charms as her well-meaning but helpless spouse.

Special notice must go to 11-year-old Tina Majorino, who is marvelous as the young girl who must see her mother as merely human.

"When A Man Loves A Woman" is low-class fluff performed by a high-class cast.

## WEEKEND PLANNER

### MOVIES

**Maryville**  
Missouri Twin  
"The Jungle Book,"  
"Legends of the Fall"

**St. Joseph**  
Hillcrest 4 (279-7463)  
"Murder in the First,"  
"Higher Learning,"  
"Demon Knight," "Houseguest"  
Plaza 8 (279-2299)  
"Dumb and Dumber,"  
"Legends of the Fall,"  
"Little Women,"  
"Disclosure,"  
"I.Q.," "Nell,"  
"Richie Rich,"  
"Forrest Gump"  
Dickenson Trail Theater (232-6256)  
"The Lion King"

### COMEDY CLUBS

**Kansas City**  
Kansas City ComedySportz  
(842-2744)  
Pandemonium Cafe  
Feb. 3-4, 7:35 and 10:05 p.m.  
Lighten Up Improvisation Company  
(474-4386)  
Play It By Ear  
Feb. 3-4, 7:30 p.m.  
Outside the Lines  
Feb. 4, 10 p.m.  
Stanford's Comedy House  
(756-1450)  
Bryan Burgess  
Feb. 2, 8 p.m.  
Jay Verneti  
Feb. 2, 9 p.m.

### TV SHOWS

**NBC**  
"Serving in Silence"  
Monday., 8 p.m.  
**CBS**  
"The Piano Lesson"  
Sunday., 8 p.m.

### PLAYS

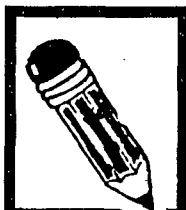
**Kansas City**  
American Heartland Theatre  
(842-9999)  
"Always ... Patsy Cline"  
Feb. 2-15  
Missouri Repertory Theatre  
(232-2700)  
"If We Are Women"  
Feb. 2-12  
Plaza Playhouse (561-7529)  
"Tony 'n' Tina's Wedding"  
Feb. 2-15  
Coterie Theatre (474-6552)  
"To Be Young, Gifted and Black"  
Lorraine Hansberry  
Feb. 2-24  
New Theatre (649-0103)  
"Groucho"  
Feb. 2-15  
Mystery Capers Dinner Playhouse  
(454-3340)  
"I'm Okay, You're Dead"  
Feb. 2-5

### CONCERTS

**Kansas City**  
Memorial Hall (931-3330)  
Battle of the Bands  
Feb. 4, 8 p.m.  
Folly Theater (931-3330)  
Samuel Ramey  
Feb. 4, 8 p.m.  
Williams/Henry Dance Theatre  
Feb. 3, 8 p.m.  
Lyric Theatre (471-0400)  
Kansas City Symphony  
"Britten's War Requiem"  
Feb. 3-4, 8 p.m.  
Johnson County Community College  
(469-4445)  
"Some of My Best Friends Are the Blues"  
Della Reese  
Feb. 3-4, 8 p.m.  
White Recital Hall (235-2700)  
"Sequentia"  
Medieval music ensemble  
Feb. 3, 7:30 p.m.

### THE STROLLER

## Your Man picks best Super Bowl ads



Yours Truly watches game for cool commercials

Comparatively, this weekend was much better than the last. After spending all day Saturday fixing the flat on Bob's car, and then spending Sunday in bed because I caught a cold, I was hoping my life would start looking up.

Luckily, it did. Even though the Chiefs didn't make it to the Super Bowl, I still watched — not so much for the game, but for all the new commercials that would air during the hype of the year.

Your Man, and friends, had our own little contest for best commercial during the big game.

My personal favorite was the three frogs in the Budweiser commercial. I like the ones that take you a little while to figure out what the product is. (I finally caught on after the third "wise" rabbit.)

We turned that commercial into our drinking game. Every time a frog would croak, we would have to take a drink.

The second runner-up was one of the Pepsi commercials because it poses a popular dilemma.

Your Man thinks it just depicted everyone's dilemma with soda machines that take paper.

Your dollar goes in, your dollar comes out. Try again. Unwrinkle every edge. Iron it a little bit. Dollar goes in, dollar comes out.

It is quite possible that you could die of dehydration before the machine accepts your hard-earned money.

And then, just when you think you can select that refreshing beverage of choice, you push

the button, and instead of an ice-cold soda popping out, your dollar does.

It was great. Although, after hearing it a few times the little dollar sucking noise became a little irritating.

The little kid being sucked up into the Pepsi bottle at the beach was terrific too. I would have capped it and sent it to sea if I were his parents though.

There were a lot of stupid and boring ads, though. The car commercials were a complete snooze. I don't think any of the ads prompted even one person to rush to their nearest car dealership.

All the silly Super Bowl themed ads were sort of dumb, too. It was like watching the Homecoming Variety Show, where they plug the big game into the skit, no matter how inappropriate or misplaced.

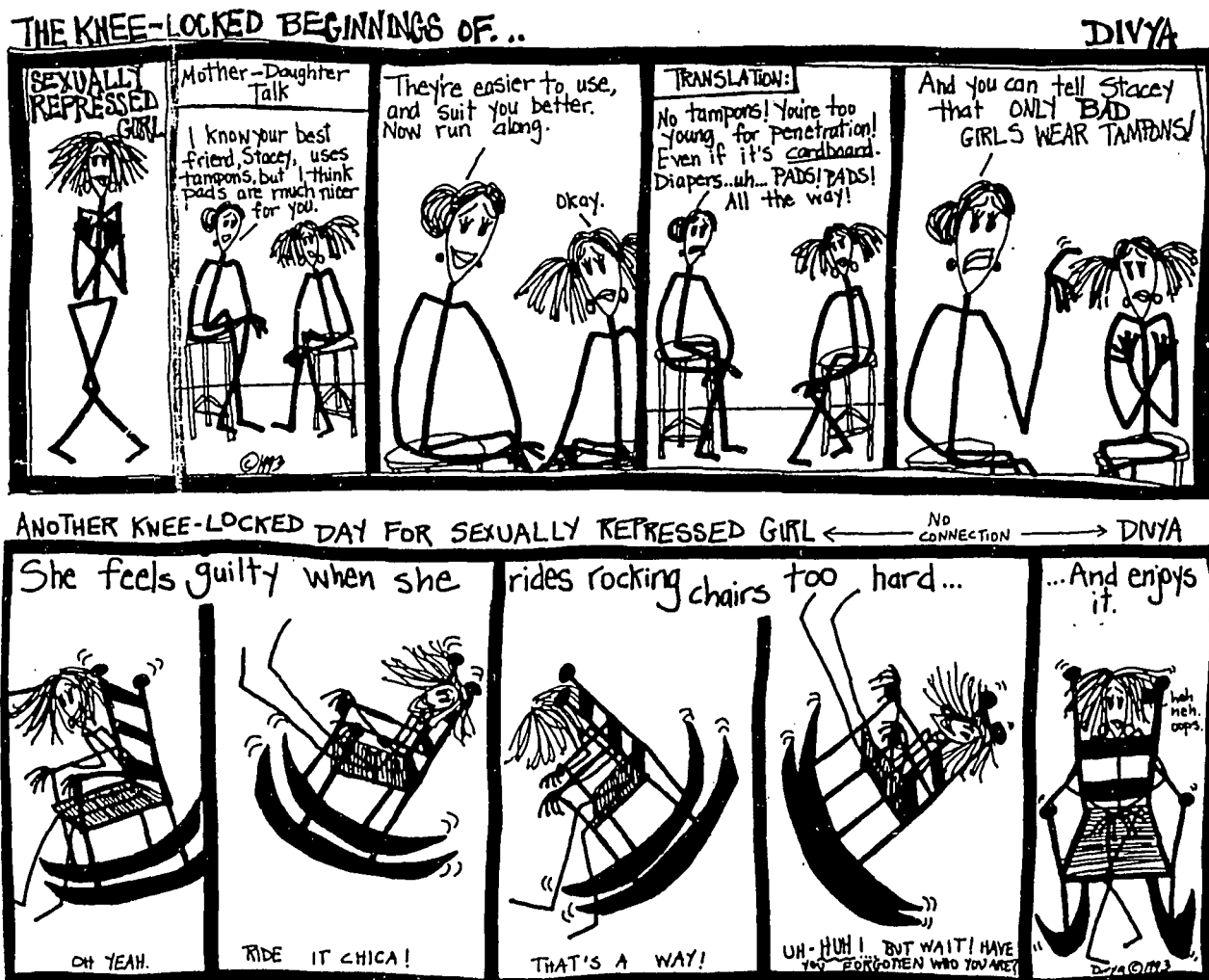
Your Man did like the fat guy from "Seinfeld" jumping out of the plane with the dog from "Frasier." Who knows what they were advertising, but the dog was cute.

Pepsi was the big winner, though. The Stroller and friends were ready to go to the store and get a case of it by the end of the game. We went for a case of Bud Light instead.

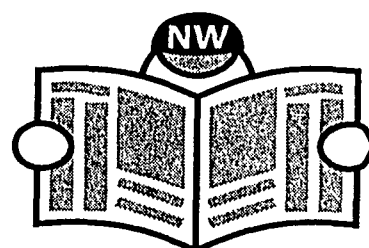
Our favorite Pepsi commercial of the night was the one where the truckers broke down and shared their beverages with each other. Then the guy who experienced Pepsi would not give it back.

Your Man is not exactly sure why this was so funny, but I laughed so hard I cried.

The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918.



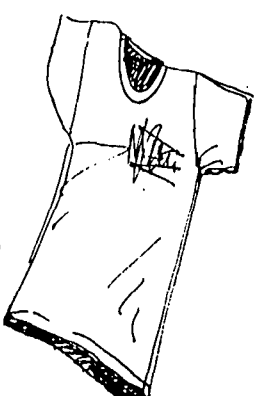
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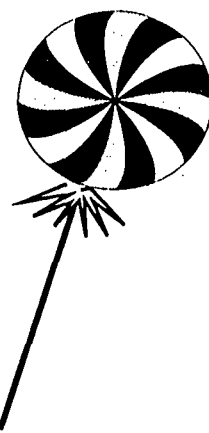


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